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FENG YU-HSIANG SEEKS AID FROM CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

THE DEFENCE OF TIENSIN.

First definite news of a conference between Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and representatives of the Northern forces is to hand to-day from Nanking, it being reported that the Southern General entertained emissaries of the Kuomintang at Ting's Garden.

In this connexion also, Marshal Chiang Tso-lin has called a conference of the Northern military leaders, including Marshals Chang Tsung-chang and Sun Chuan-fang. Regarding General Yen Hsi-shan, it is stated that, while he believes in the Sun Yat-sen principles and sympathises with the Nationalist cause, he is still co-operating with the Fengtien forces.

Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang has applied to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek for assistance in the provision of arms and money for the purpose of launching a further attack against the Shantung army.

There is conflicting news regarding fighting in the North, for while most reports lack mention of any fighting, a later message from Chinese sources states that there has been heavy fighting on the Grand Canal.

Preparations continue for the defence of Tientsin, much foreign military activity having taken place during the past three days, including the unloading of artillery caterpillar tractors and tanks by the American Marine contingent. The British G.O.C. of the Shanghai Defence Force (Major General John Duncan) and his Chief of Staff have left for Peking.

ANTI-BRITISH WAVE AT NINGPO.

Nanking, June 9. For the past three days the Bund at Tientsin has been the scene of much military activity in the Bund at Ting's Garden in Nanking. Just now, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek entered the peace representations of the Kuomintang at Ting's Garden.

ANTI-RED ALLIANCE.

Conference of Northern Leaders.

Shanghai June 9.

Information obtained from the Fengtien Headquarters indicated that definite news with regard to the proposed anti-Red Alliance between Chiang Tso-lin, Chiang Kai-shek and Yen Hsi-shan will be available within the next few days. A Fengtien spokesman stated that General Yen Hsi-shan, though favouring the adoption of the Sun-yat-sen principles and sympathizing with the Nationalists, is co-operating with the Fengtienites.

It is further stated that Chiang Kai-shek is an old school mate of General Yang Yu-ting, the Fengtien chief of staff, and that therefore little will be allowed to stand in the way of an amicable settlement.

Marshal Chiang Tso-lin has called a general Conference of Northern military leaders to deal with the questions at issue, and Marshals Chang Tsung-chang and Sun Chuan-fang have also been invited.

—*Nam Chung Pao.*

FENG YU-HSIANG'S MOVE.

In Negotiation With Chiang Kai-shek.

Nanking, June 9.

General Feng Yu-hsiang has reported to Chiang Kai-shek, the Nanking Generalissimo, that his army has captured Chengchow, and asked that the Nanking army should immediately start a general attack on Shantung.

General Feng has also asked Nanking to supply him with arms and money.

General Tien Wei-chun, a chief subordinate of Wu Pei-fu, has been arrested in Chengchow and is detained in Feng's field headquarters.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

TIENTSIN PREPAREDNESS.

Complete American Force.

Tientsin, June 9.

Major-General John Duncan, accompanied by Viscount Gort, Honan front commander, left for Peking yesterday afternoon.

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YANGTSE QUIET.

Improving Conditions.

Nanking, June 8. Conditions are improving and foreigners are able to move about without interference. There is nothing to report.—*Naval Wireless.*

Wuhu Situation.

Wuhu, June 8. The situation is easier and there is nothing to report.—*Naval Wireless.*

AGITATION AT NINGPO.

Ningpo, June 8. The effect of the persistency of Nationalist agitators is now showing itself in an intensification of the boycott of British goods. Anti-British feeling has developed considerably and the situation is regarded as serious. Up to the present there has been little hostility to individuals, but the small community is prepared for evacuation in case of trouble.—*Naval Wireless.*

[Ningpo is an important centre in the Shanghai region, and at the time of the trouble in Shanghai, large numbers of Chinese went to Ningpo from the native city at Shanghai.]

SHANTUNG OFFENSIVE.

Resumption of Fighting Reported.

Shanghai June 9.

Nanking Army Headquarters has issued a communiqué to the effect that the Nationalist 10th Army is advancing from Han-chuang to attack Lin-cheng and severe fighting is now taking place across the Grand Canal.

Marshal Chang Tsung-chang is said to have come down to Tai-er-chuang from Tsingtao to consult Marshal Sun Chuan-fang on the defence of Shantung, and it is understood that Marshal Chang asked the commander of Marshal Sun's forces which recently retreated from Shantung, to defend the eastern section of the Kiao-chow-Tsingtao railway.

Nanking reports state that the through passenger train from Pukow to Hsuehchow will be put on the run again within the present week.

General Wang Tien-pei was appointed General Kuo Kuon-wu as Garrison Commander of Hsuehchow.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

MISSION TO CHENGCHOW.

Hankow Wants Feng.

Hankow, June 8.

Hsu Chien, the Minister of Justice, accompanied by Mrs. Prohne Anna Louise Strong left for Chengchow on the 6th instant on a mission to persuade Feng Yu-hsiang definitely to declare his adherence to the Hankow Government, for it is well known that Feng is jointly generalissimo of the Hankow armies and a member of the political council of Nanking.

It is unlikely that any results of the mission will be published until Borodin arrives in Chengchow whether he is going shortly.

Borodin is at present suffering from a broken wrist as a result of a riding accident.—*Reuter.*

LULL IN HOSTILITIES.

But Extensive Troop Movement.

Shanghai, June 8.

Hostilities between the North and South appear to have ceased except on the Honan front, but extensive troop movements are going on. Marshal Chang Tsung-chang is preparing defensive positions for his troops in the event of a further Nationalist offensive.

The newspapers contain little information concerning the reported negotiations between Chang Tso-lin, Chiang Kai-shek and Yen Hsi-shan.

Shanghai is quiet.—*Naval Wireless.*

TROOPS AT CHINKIANG.

Relieving the Garrison.

Chinkiang, June 8.

About two thousand troops belonging to the Nationalist 1st Army have arrived at Chinkiang to relieve the section of the 6th Army which hitherto has garrisoned the city.

Chinkiang is rapidly returning to normalcy now that it is out of the war zone.—*Naval Wireless.*

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ARMS SENSATION IN SHANGHAI.

DRAMATIC ARREST OF THREE FOREIGNERS.

TWO AMERICANS INVOLVED.

Shanghai, June 9.

An American lawyer, W. Worthington, another American named Samuel Chalet, and an Italian named Jovino, were arrested yesterday afternoon by the police in the International Settlement for alleged dealing in arms.

It is reported that the accused men entered into negotiations with a Chinese "General," who was really a detective, about a month ago for the sale of a quantity of arms and ammunition. The negotiations progressed until yesterday afternoon when, it is alleged, it was arranged that the prisoner should visit the "General's" house for the purpose of consummating the deal.

Two foreign detectives witnessed the whole proceedings through a knothole in a wooden partition. The accused produced two Mausers and a thousand rounds of ammunition, after which they were arrested and handed over to their respective Consulates.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL LIMITATION.

LIST OF BRITAIN'S REPRESENTATIVES.

London, June 8.

The delegates of the Governments of Britain, the Dominions and India to the Naval Disarmament Conference summoned to meet at Geneva on June 20th will be:

Britain.—The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, Viscount Cecil and Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Field (Deputy Chief of Naval Staff).

Canada.—The Minister of Justice, Mr. E. Lapointe.

Australia.—The High Commissioner, Sir Joseph Cook.

New Zealand.—The High Commissioner, Sir James Parr, and Admiral Earl Jellicoe.

South Africa.—The High Commissioner, Mr. J. S. Smit, and the Trade Commissioner in Europe, Mr. C. J. Piennar.

Irish Free State.—The Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, and Attorney General, Mr. John A. Costello.—*British Wireless.*

MILITARY TRAP.

COUPLE ARRESTED FOR KEEPING ILLEGAL HOUSE.

Working in conjunction with the Military authorities, the Police carried out a raid on a house in Canton Road on Tuesday last and arrested a young Chinese married couple who were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, the wife on an indictment of keeping an illegal house and the husband on a charge of selling intoxicating liquor without a license.

In view of the numerous complaints being received by the Police from the Military authorities, soldiers being sold intoxicating drinks, the Police arranged a trap on Tuesday and sent four Lance-Corporals from the K.O.S.B.'s to No. 130, Canton Road.

In evidence, Sub-Inspector Chevalier said that he conducted the raid in conjunction with Capt. Baly, D.A.P.M., with whom were Lance-Corporals Cotton, Dunn, Vincent and MacQueen.

Continuing, witness said that the spy system of the house was carried out on an elaborate scale. Several coolies were employed to patrol the streets, and give the alarm by means of ringing a bell on the approach of the Police.

One of the women who was taken to the Station, stated to the Police that the first defendant was the principal tenant and, although the latter denied that she was conversant with the Cantonese language, she cursed the woman in the local dialect for making the statement.

Both defendants were convicted, the woman being fined \$100 or two months' imprisonment in default and the husband, \$200 or three months' hard labour.

HANKOW JUSTICE.

PLIGHT OF RUSSIAN PRISONER.

A PRESENT-DAY TRAVESTY.

A member of the Hankow Committee of Foreign Chambers of Commerce said at a recent meeting that he wished to bring the following facts to the attention of the meeting and to have them duly recorded in the minutes. A Russian named Lebedeff, believed to have been a General in the White Russian armies, had been confined in the police station of the Special Administration District No. 3 for a period of about three months.

This man was arrested in the dead of night at the residence of an old Russian resident and taken to the police station where he had since been held prisoner in close confinement. No charge had been preferred against him and he had not been tried. During the whole of the time he was incarcerated he was never given an opportunity of taking a bath and only during the last week was he allowed to walk in the station yard for 30 minutes daily for exercise. He was not beaten and was permitted to have food sent in to him.

At 4 a.m. on the 18th inst. he was removed from his cell in the gaol of the S.A.D. No. 3 police station and taken away to an unknown destination.

The speaker said he had no knowledge as to whether Lebedeff had committed any crime, political or otherwise, but the question of whether he had or not was beside the question. The factor of prime importance to all foreigners was that there was a case of a man imprisoned and kept imprisoned for three months without trial.

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The defendant was the man who, some time ago, made a sensational escape from police custody by slipping his handcuffs and jumping out of a moving bus in the vicinity of the University.

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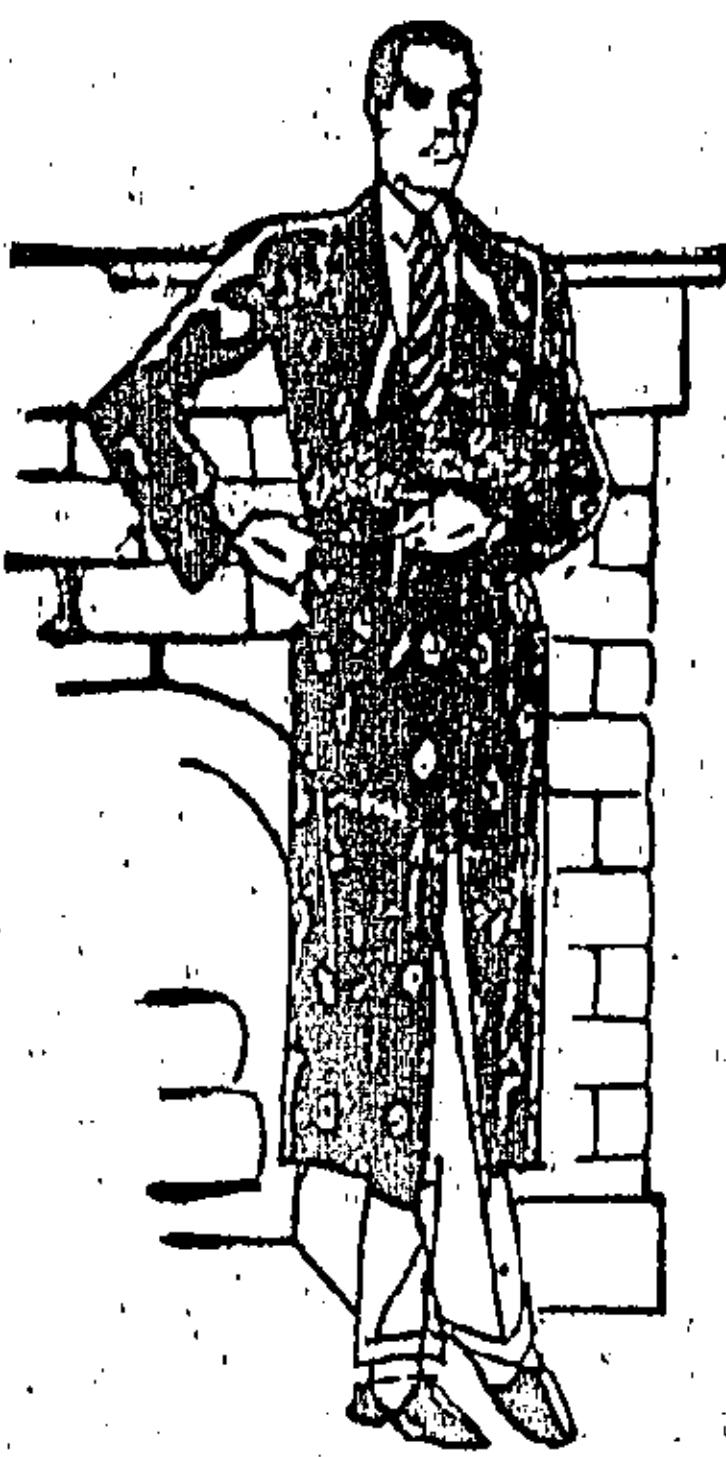
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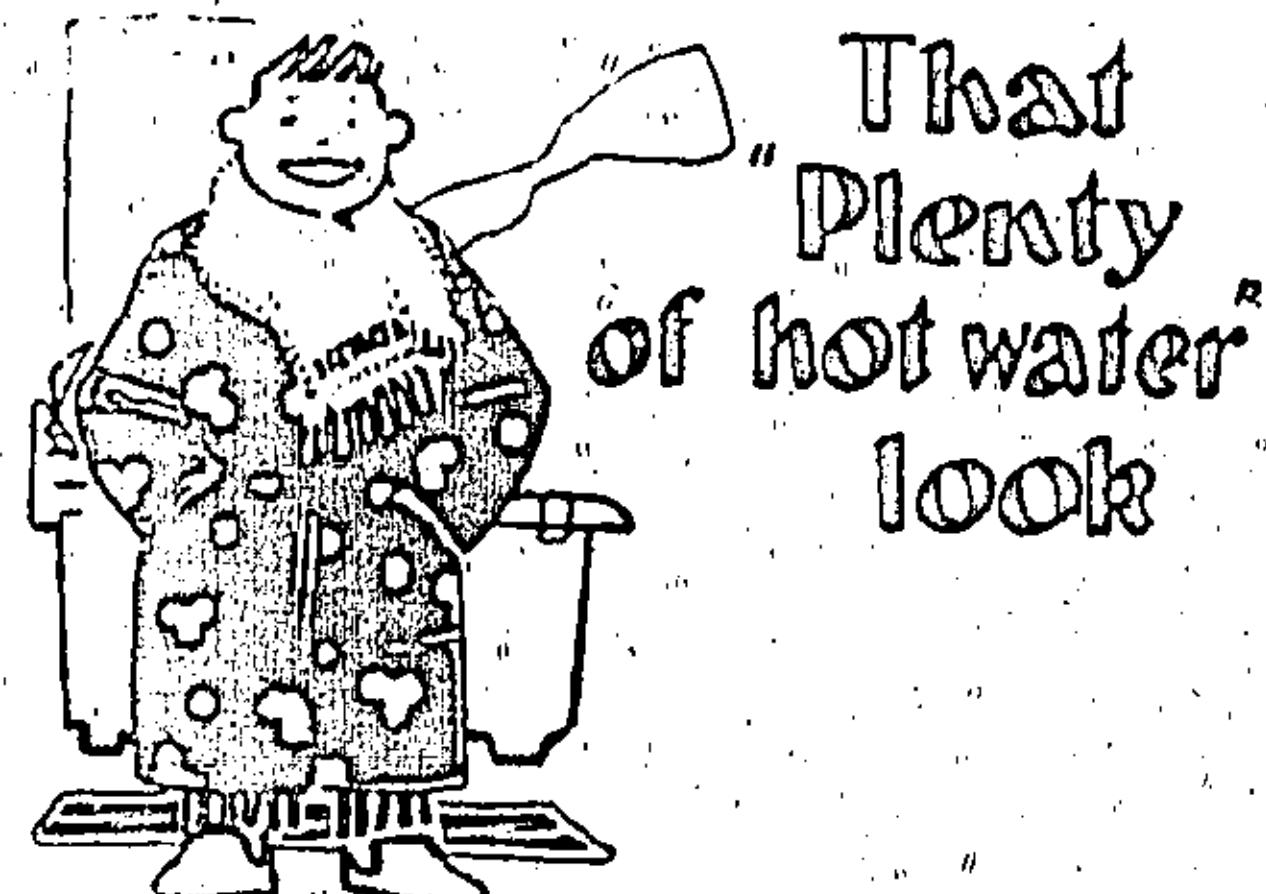
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INDIAN TEXTILES.

DECISION HELD TO BE AN "INDIAN AFFAIR."

London, June 8. The Manchester correspondent of the *Financial News* says that much relief was felt on the Manchester Royal Exchange over the Indian Tariff Board report, together with the Government of India's decisions as there seems to be no probability at present that the Indo-British fiscal arrangement will be materially altered.

Sir Edward Rhodes has pointed out that for many years Lancashire goods have not competed with those of the India manufacturers and is of the opinion that two years hence labour conditions and working hours in Japan will be distinctly improved and their advantage in that connexion will be reduced.

He criticises the management and organisation of the Bombay mills and indicates that Lancashire's hope is in increasing the consumption of fine goods in India.

He sums up Lancashire's attitude thus: "The decision of the Government of India can be regarded as entirely an Indian affair."

British Competition Not Responsible.

The *Financial News* Calcutta correspondent says that while Bombay and Ahmadabad are naturally nursing a grievance against the Government of India's rejection of the cotton report, opinion here supports the official view that the cotton manufacturer cannot be added to those who look to the taxpayer to provide a portion of his income from bounties or to the purchasers to be mulcted by the increased price of cotton goods involved in the protective tariff.

It is pointed out that the depression is not due to British competition as Lancashire herself is suffering, and is only partly due to Japan's failure to ratify portions of the Geneva Convention, but is mainly due to inefficient labour, over capitalisation and unduly high dividends during the boom period.—*Reuter's American Service*.

POLITICAL ALLIANCE.

CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT TO JOIN LABOUR PARTY.

London, June 8. The Co-operative Congress at Cheltenham decided by a card vote of 1,960 against 1,843 in favour of political alliance with the Labour Party. Only six hundred out of 1,300 societies affiliated to the Co-operative Union, were represented at the congress, and a proposal will be made to-morrow for a referendum of the societies.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Referendum Fails.

Later. The attempt to take a referendum of all affiliated co-operative societies on the decision of the Co-operative Congress failed, the Congress to-day defeating the resolution to that effect.—*Reuter's American Service*.

COLONIAL INSTITUTE.

DELEGATES BANQUETED AT ROYAL PALACE.

Hague, June 8. The delegates of the International Colonial Institute were entertained to luncheon by Jonckheer Van Karnebeek, and a banquet in the evening by the Prince Consort in the Royal Palace, in the splendid India Hall, which was a wedding gift by the Dutch colonies to Queen Wilhelmina, after which they went to a Cinema show at which were depicted scenes of colonial life.—*Reuter's American Service*.

SALESMAN SAM



BIRD MIGRATION.

WHERE DUCKS AND GEESE GO IN SPRING.

Fairbanks, Ala., June 8. "Where do ducks and geese go in springtime when they fly toward the Pole from Point Barrow?" is a question which remains to be answered.

Baffled by an Arctic fog, Captain George Wilkins has returned, having abandoned one of his aeroplanes in the frozen wastes of the north coast of Alaska.

Wilkins and his pilot, Graham, flew to Etah, Greenland, on May 28, thence to the fuel stores dump at Point Barrow, to try to solve the mystery of the birds' annual migration to the far north and to determine whether the fabled Atlantic continent exists where no man is known to have been, but like last year's expedition has now been abandoned because the dense fog veiled the ice formations below as the aviator flew over a world impenetrably white.—*Reuter's American Service*.

CHAMBERLIN'S FLIGHT.

LONGEST TELEPHONE CALL.

Denison Iowa, June 8. The airmail Chamberlin made the longest distance telephone call yet made, calling up his mother from Berlin whence it was transmitted via Holland to London and then relayed across half of the United States.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Designer's Views.

New York, June 8. Bellanca, the designer of the Columbia, declared that if Chamberlin had had a competent navigator, he would have reached Berlin. Bellanca calculated that the Columbia lost 1,100 miles as the result of straying from its course, and from head winds.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Fund for Lost Aviators.

New York, June 8. Mr. Gerard former Ambassador to Germany, has accepted the presidency of a committee formed to raise a fund of \$150,000 for the mothers of the aviators Nungesser and Coli.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Honours for Lindburgh.

Washington, June 8. In addition to the Langley medal, Lindbergh will receive the rarely bestowed Hubbard medal, the highest award of the National Geographic Society.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Valuable Souvenirs.

New York, June 8. It is understood that the United States Government is investigating the action of the Hempstead (New York) postmaster who "to be accommodating," as he explains it, cancelled the postage stamps on 250 letters to Germany carried by Mr. Levine aboard the Columbia.

The investigation is being carried out because Mr. Levine was not authorized to carry mails.

Stamp Collectors believe these cancelled stamps as souvenirs are worth \$50 each.—*Reuter's American Service*.

MISSOURI FLOODS.

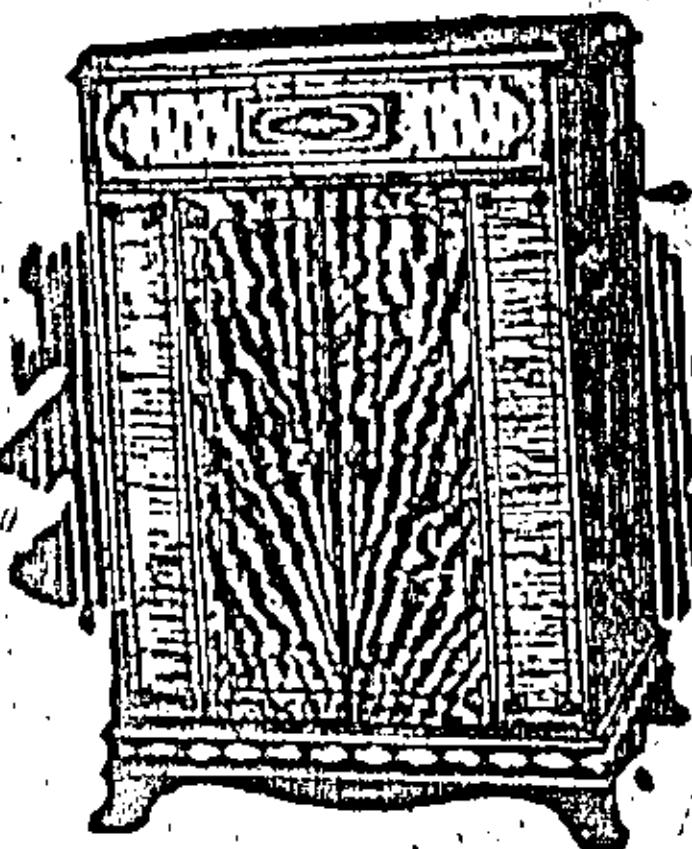
LOWLANDS AGAIN BEING INUNDATED.

New Orleans, June 8. A new exodus has begun from certain districts in Missouri, Illinois, as fresh flood waters are pouring in to the lowlands, where the recent great inundation had subsided. Newly planted crops are being destroyed. Red Cross relief workers are preparing to assist the families of those driven from their homes a second time this year.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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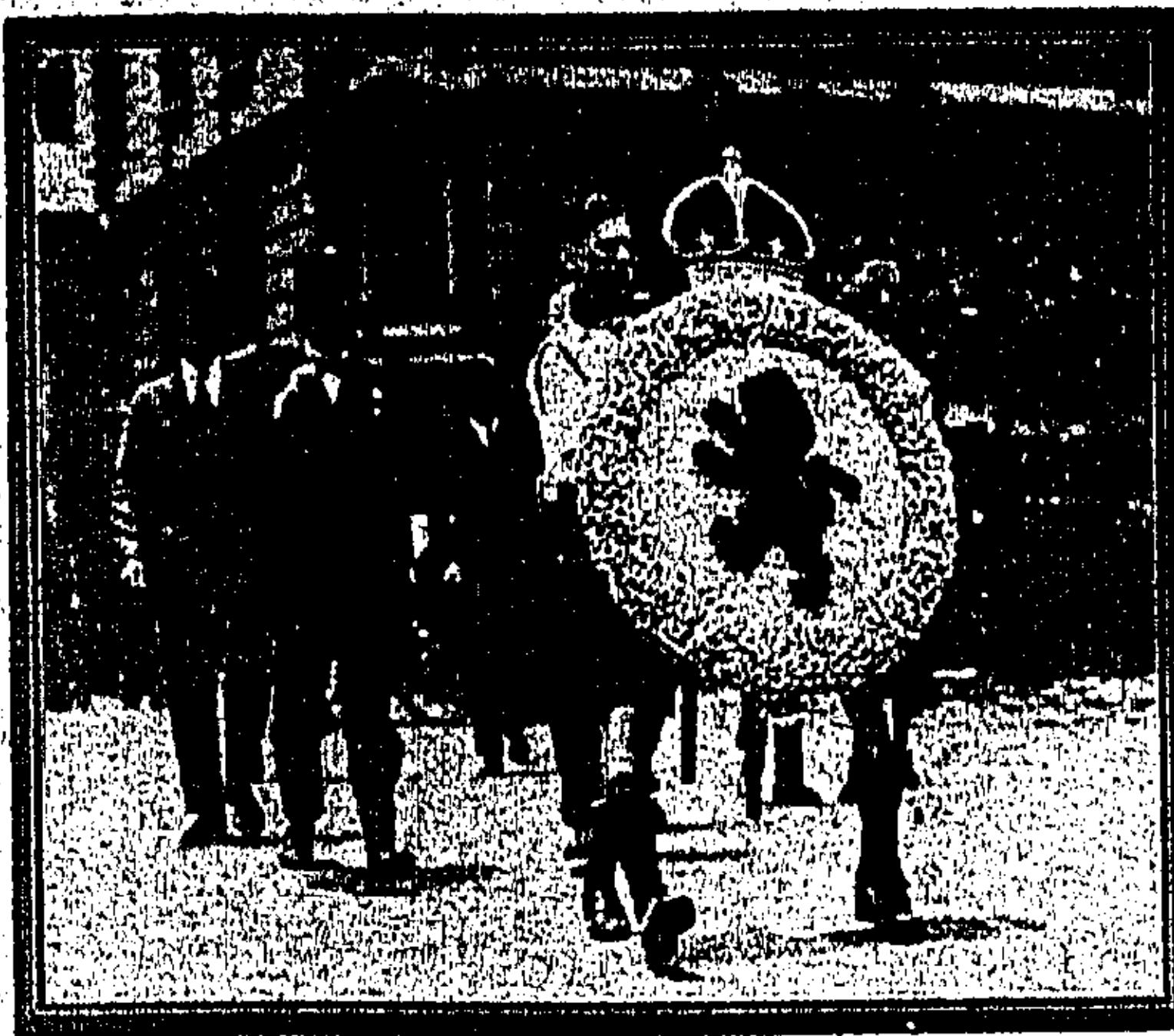
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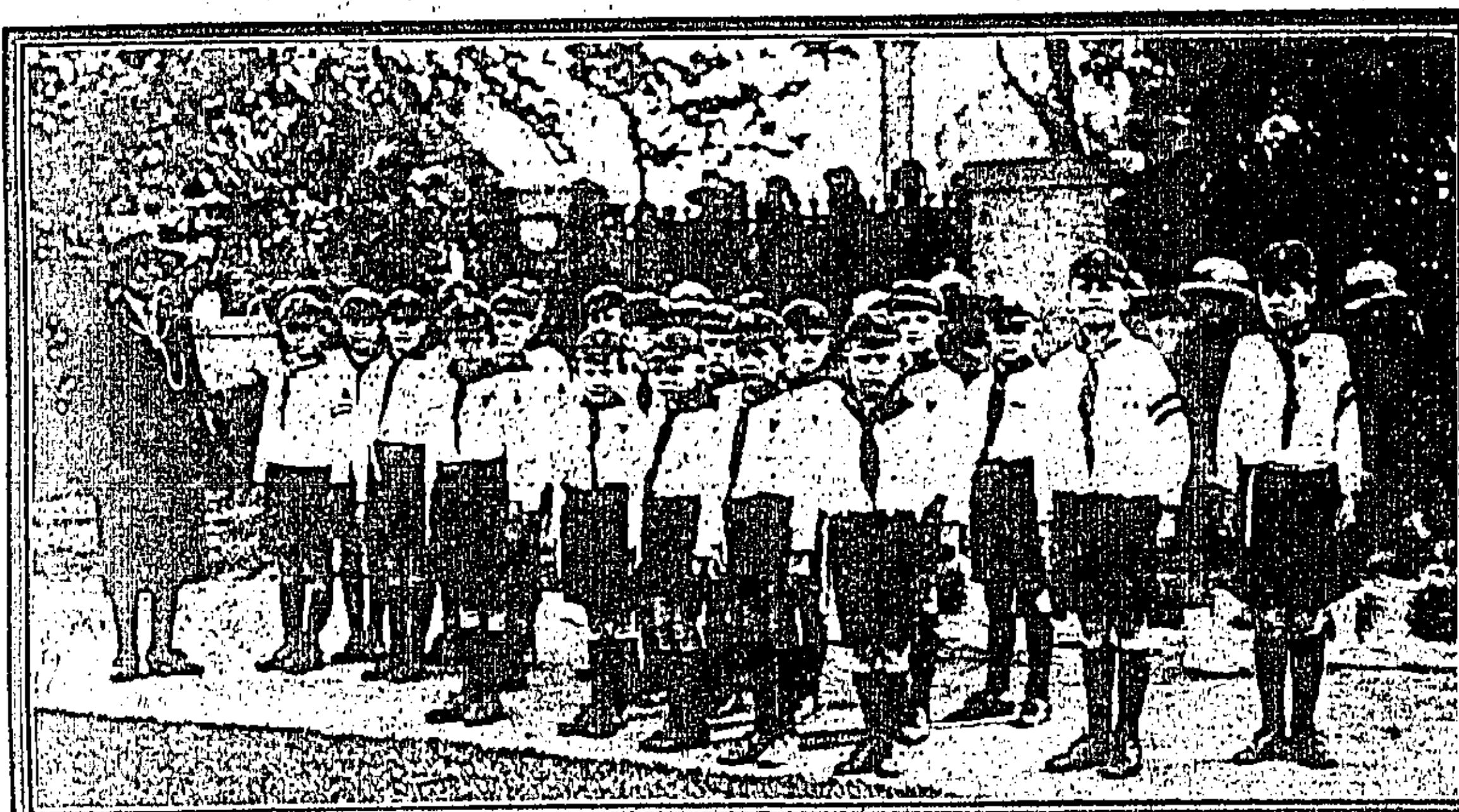
EMPIRE DAY AT SHANGHAI.—Judge Peter Grain (on right of the pillar), Sir Miles Lampson, Miss Esme Barton, Lady Barton, and other well-known Shanghai residents, snapped in the porch of Holy Trinity Cathedral on Empire Day.



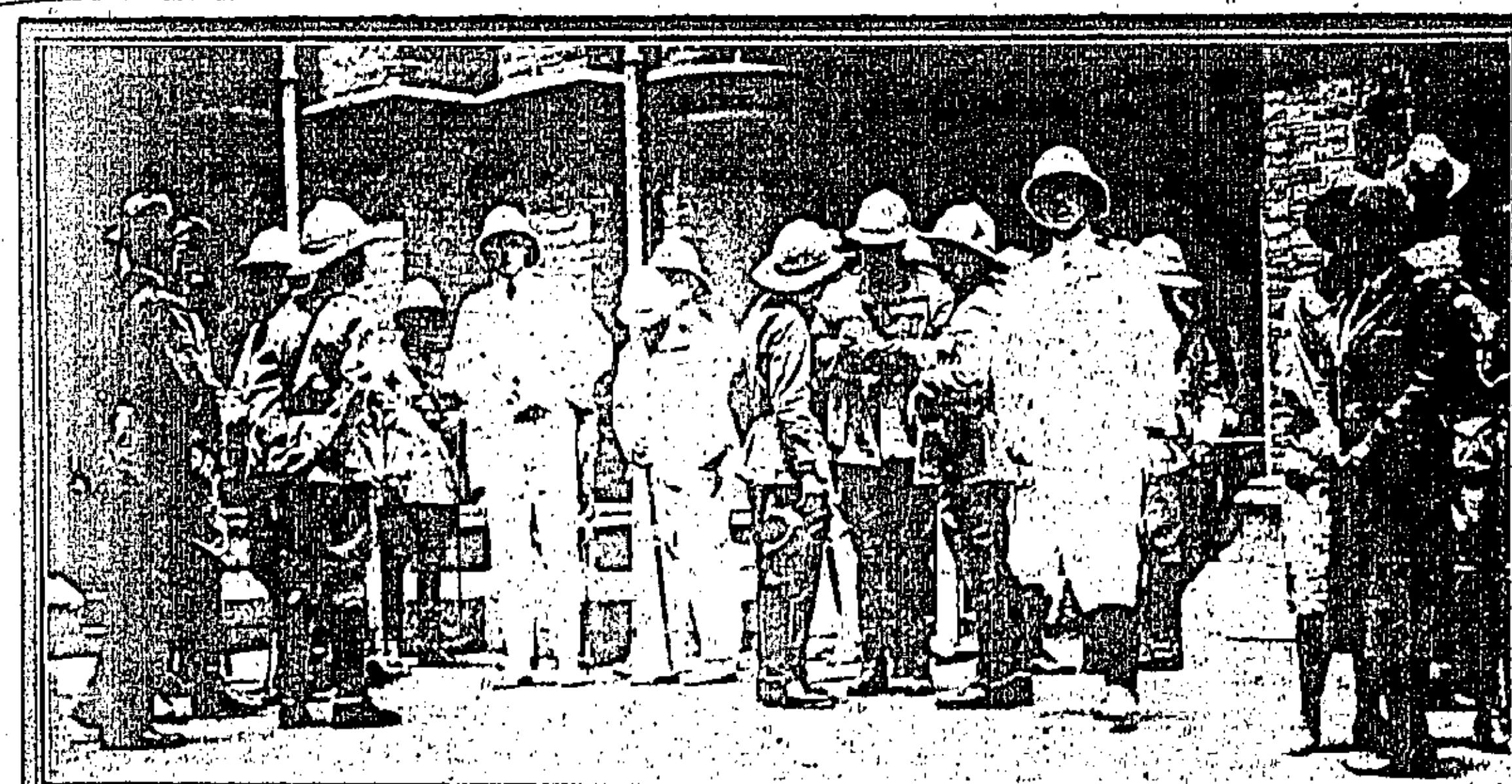
SHANGHAI CLUB'S TRIBUTE.—The floral shield worked in the Shanghai Club's device, which was placed on the Shanghai War Memorial on Empire Day.



AT THE BRITISH CONSULATE.—Some of those who turned out on Empire Day morning to watch the Boy Scouts, Wolf Cubs, Girl Guides, Brownies and Sea Rovers salute the Union Jack at the British Consulate-General.



PACK OF LOYAL CUBS.—Wolf Cubs from the Cathedral School for Boys, lined up at the British Consulate-General on Empire Day preparatory to marching to the parade ground for the ceremonial flag-raising, at Shanghai.



EMPIRE DAY SERVICE.—A group outside Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, where a special service was held on Empire Day, which was attended by a large body of military and naval units. The Right Rev. H. J. Molony, D. D. Bishop in Mid-China, preached the sermon.



IN HONOUR OF DANISH MINISTER.—Members of the Danish community entertained His Excellency Henrik de Kauffmann, Danish Minister to China and Japan, and Madame de Kauffmann, at dinner at the Majestic Hotel on their arrival in Shanghai.



"CATCH 'EM YOUNG!"—The latest recruit to the Fourth Regiment, 24th Company, of U. S. Marines, who has stepped into a sergeant's post at once, Master Billy Schlobohm, with Sergt. Buchanan of the 4th, at Shanghai.



CHINESE WEDDING.—Mr. Hua-chao Wong, the youngest son of the Hon. F. H. Wong Sing-san, formerly Commissioner of Foreign Affairs at Hangchow, and Miss Sing Woo, who were recently married at the Y. P. S. Hotel, Shanghai. The couple will soon leave for the U. S.



LLOYD W. BERTAUD, air mail pilot on the trans-continental route, was chosen as one of the pilots for the Boland plane in its flight with Clarence D. Chamberlin, but did not go owing to a dispute.

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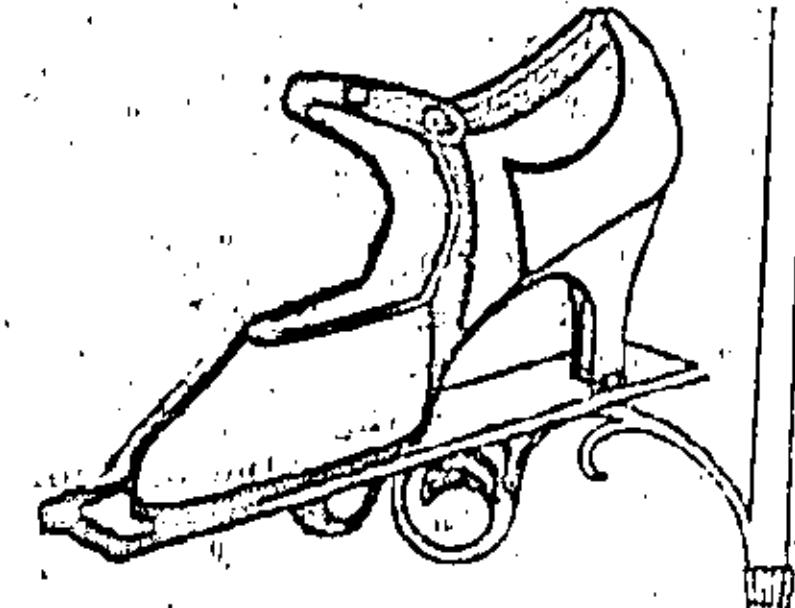
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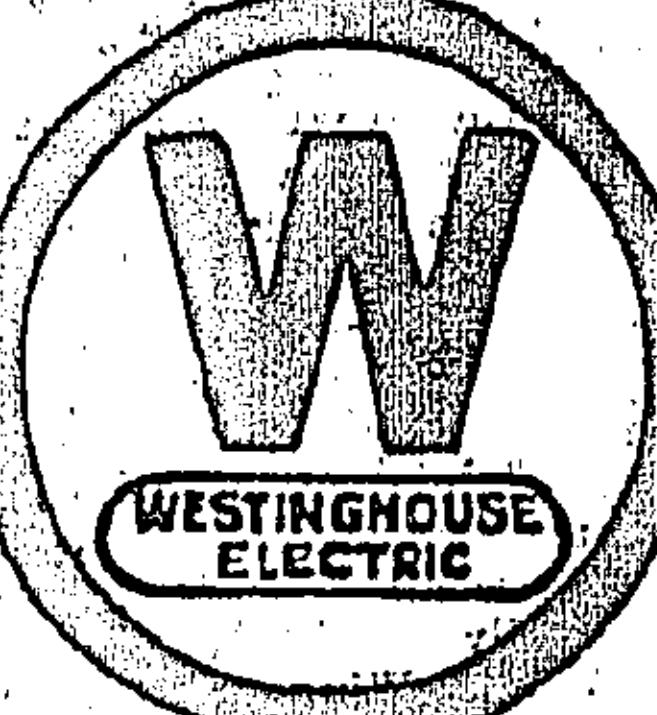


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IMPERSONATION.

UNEMPLOYED CHINESE
POSES AS POLICEMAN.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday an unemployed Chinese was charged with impersonating a Police constable and attempting to obtain \$60 by false pretences.

This man was alleged to have presented himself as a police constable to the occupier of a house in Ma Tau Chong and said that he would arrange, on payment of \$60 to have the roof of the house repaired.

Later, the woman's suspicions were aroused and on a report being made to the Police, the defendant's arrest was effected.

On conviction, his Worship imposed sentence of four months' hard labour on the charge of false pretences and a further two months with the option of a fine of \$200 on the other count.

WARSAW AFFAIR.

COMPLICATIONS FEARED.

Warsaw, June 8. Complications are feared in connexion with the murder of Voikov, owing to the impression that Russia will demand the extradition of Koweda, to which the Government cannot agree without loss of prestige by the violation of principle of non-surrender of political refugees.—Reuters.

Fortnight's "Court Mourning."

Moscow, June 8. The Soviet has proclaimed a fortnight's "Court mourning" for all its representatives at home and abroad in connexion with Voikov's assassination.

Although Voikov was born in 1888 and was associated with the revolutionary movement since youth, official circles declare that he was in no way responsible for the death warrant of the Imperial Russian Family, being Food Commissary of Urals province at the time.—Reuters.

FOR THE TROOPS.

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT.

The popularity of the concerts arranged by the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee and given at the Peking Road Y.M.C.A., Kowloon is undiminished and there was another large audience last night when a variety programme of high merit was offered.

The artistes were Mr. C. Lake (tenor), Mr. W. H. Hannibal (humorist), Sergt. Horton (humorist), Sergt. Hyson (humorist), Mr. T. G. Paterson (baritone) and Mr. H. J. Fountain (accompanist).

Mr. A. D. Spors, the "pocket Hercules," gave an exhibition of feats of strength, inviting members of the audience to break a concrete block resting on his chest.

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DECOMPOSED BODY IN BED.

BROTHER'S REMARKABLE STORY.

An inquiry into a remarkable story of the death of two men—a farmer and son—was held in Erith (Kent), by Mr. H. B. Sewell and jury recently.

William Thomas Holmes, octogenarian, who was living on his naval pension at 4 Stately Road, Belvedere, was found dead in his bed the previous day, having, it was stated, been lying dead for five months, and his son, John Randall Holmes (45), who lived with his father, was found hanging in a stable loft.

The tragedy was discovered by Charles Holmes, the 65-years-old son of William Thomas Holmes, who had just returned home.

The Coroner described the case as a very sad one. In relating the facts of the case, he said the man John was a licensed victualler's potman at the Fox, Belvedere.

Charles Robert, the brother, said his father had been queer for some time past. He was queer in December last, and the other brother looked after him. Apparently Charles lived downstairs and the other two upstairs.

The Coroner went on to describe how John used to take his father up a cup of tea until quite recently. Charles, said the Coroner, until the tragedy was discovered, had not been upstairs since December last. The body of the father was very decomposed, but as far as could be judged, there were no external marks of violence. The death of the son was clearly a case of suicide.

Father Last Seen in December.

The first witness was Charles John Holmes, a heavily-built man, who identified the bodies as those of his father and brother.

Witness said his father had been a stoker in the Navy, and was pensioned off. He had been living in Belvedere about 28 or 29 years.

The Coroner—What was your father's usual state of health?

Fair: He never complained.

When did you see your father last alive?—In December. He was fairly well, but suffering from a cold. I knew that he was upstairs afterwards because I could hear him moving about.

What was he up there for?—He was suffering from a cold and could not get up.

You never went up to see him?

No.

Why not?—Because I was not that way inclined.

His brother, the witness said, was looking after his father, and used to take him up food every day. I saw him take up an egg and a cup of tea a day, said witness, and I naturally thought my father was alive. The egg was beaten up in the tea for my father right up to the last.

Father Found Dead.

Last Wednesday, witness went to work about four o'clock, leaving his brother indoors, and got home again yesterday morning about 8.30. I saw my brother was not there, he continued, and I could not make him hear. I got in through the window and went upstairs, but could not find my brother, but I found my father dead.

Coroner—On the bed?—Yes. In his usual night attire.

What state was the room in?—It was rather dirty, and the body was very decomposed.

Witness said he called a policeman, who lived next door. There was a bad smell about the place, and witness was going to ask the cause of it, but it slipped his memory. The room door and windows were all shut.

In the kitchen, said witness, I found a piece of paper on the table. It was in my brother's hand-writing.

It said:—"Father died December 15, 1926. Don't blame Charlie."

The Coroner—Meaning you?

Yes.

"A Little Strange."

Later in the day, witness was told that his brother had been found. His brother had seemed a little strange in his ways lately, but witness had taken no notice of him.

Coroner—How do you account for not finding out your father's death?—I left it all to my brother, and I never made any inquiries. My brother had always looked after father, and I don't know why he did not tell me.

Coroner—You were satisfied your father died a natural death? Oh, yes.

Would there have been any money to bury him?—There was insurance money.

Witness added that no insurance money had been drawn since last September. His brother's manner had been very strained of late. He did not like anybody inquiring about him. His brother did the housekeeping and cooked all the food.

The Coroner—Do you think your father had all that he wanted? Yes, I think he did.

Why do you think your brother committed suicide?—I suppose keeping the body in the house preyed on his mind.

Brother Scared.

Witness added that the found afterwards that a sanitary inspector called at the house on Wednesday and wished to go over it, but was refused admittance.

The Coroner—You think that rather scared your brother?

Witness—That is what caused him to do what he has done.

Did he ever talk of suicide?—Never.

Questioned with regard to his father's pension, witness said he believed it was about 27s. a week, but he did not know for certain.

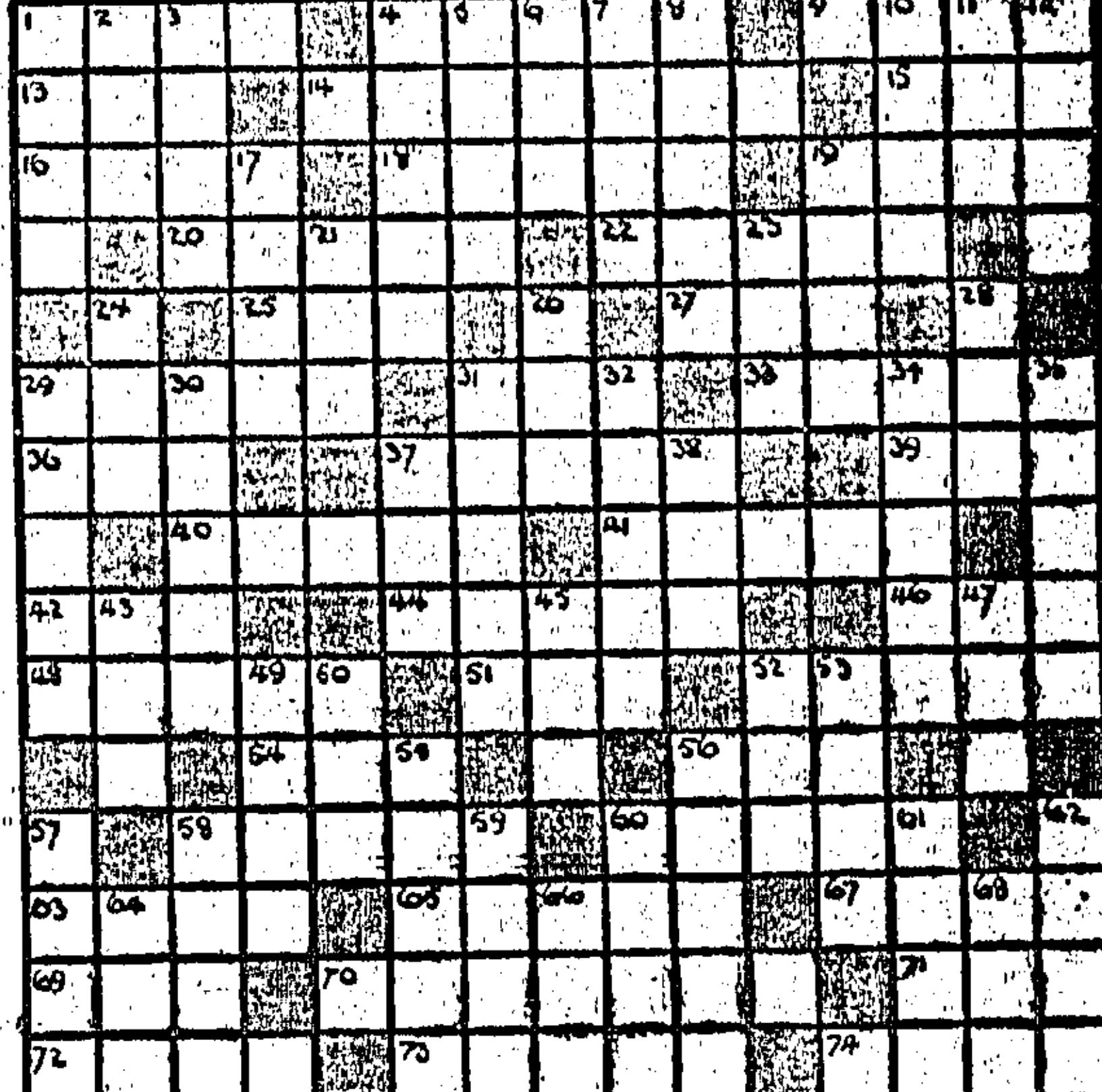
Questioned regarding his brother's motives for keeping the body, witness said—I think he kept it back for two or three days, and then it went on and on until it really preyed on his mind, and he got frightened.

Questioned by a police officer, witness said his brother took meals up to his father every morning until what happened to the man about the end of last summer. She never noticed anything unusual until last week, when she thought John looked vacant at times. She last saw John on Wednesday evening. Every time she asked how his father was he said—"Quite all right."

The Coroner—Was he kind to the old man?—He was a kind, good son to his father.

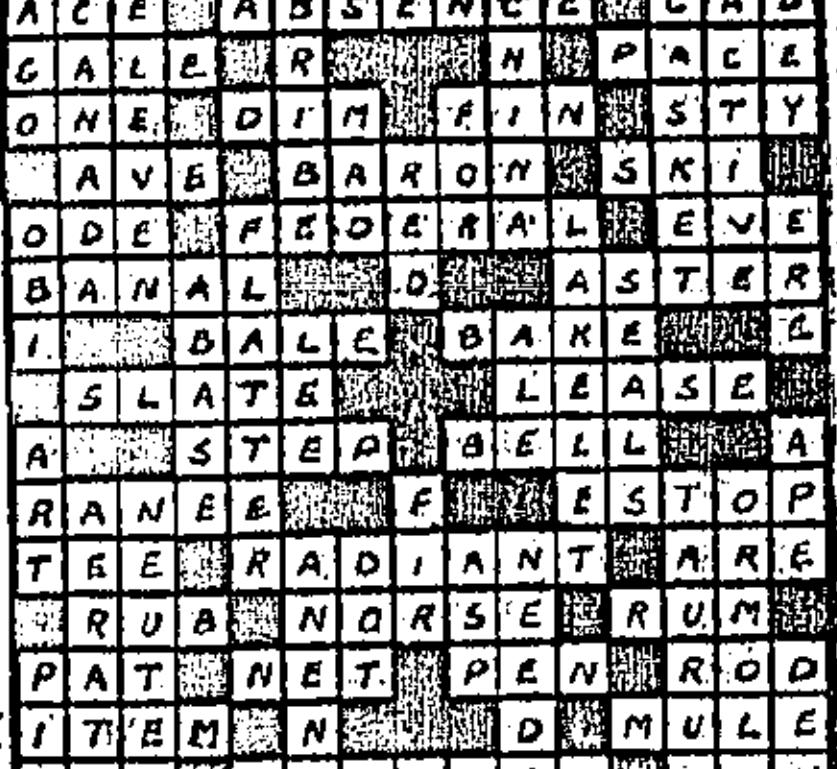
A verdict of death from natural causes was returned in the case of the father, and Suicide while temporarily mentally deranged in the case of the son.

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19. Male swine.
20. Middle (law).
21. Smudge.
25. Measure out.
27. Nevertheless.
29. Unctuous.
31. Baby's bed.
33. Side glances.
34. Hot water-jug.
37. German light infantryman.
39. Pig's home.
41. Religion of Mohammed.
42. Cook on a spit.
43. Be ill.
44. Uncanny.
45. Single.
46. German geological term.
48. Eggs.
51. Tree with trembling leaves.
52. Animal.
53. Part of the body.
54. Consume.
55. Part of the face.
56. Lowest point.
57. Celestial body.
58. Freehold (Shetland).
59. Table-lands of South Africa.
60. Part of the body.
61. Turn.
62. Period of time.
63. List of candidates for office (Scot).
64. Fishing net.
65. Furious, reckless onset.
66. Down.
67. Tidal wave moving up a river.
68. Gull.
69. Paragraph.
70. Tree.
71. Part of the ear.
72. Eastern commander.
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74. Foo.
75. Tract of waste land.
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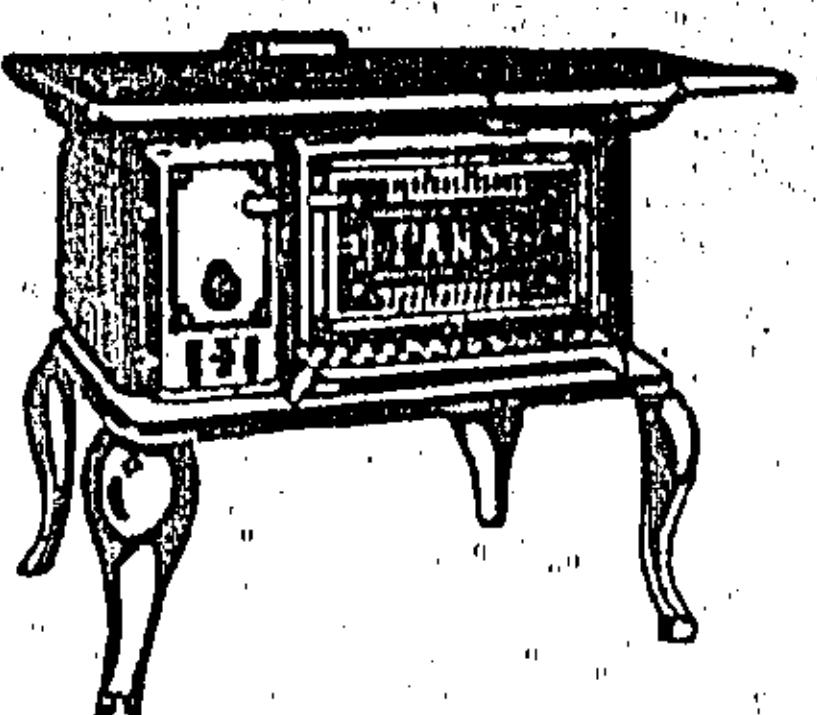
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is cited the raid at Peking, the action taken against the Soviet Consulate at Shanghai and the break-off of relations by Britain. The average man will be hard put to it to connect the raid at Peking, ordered by Marshal Chang Tso-lin, with a political murder committed by a Russian youth in Warsaw, and the fact that a connexion is found in the Soviet Note only goes to show how seriously the leaders of the Soviet are suffering from what the psycho-analysts would doubtless term "the inferiority complex" and imagine that there is a world-wide conspiracy against them. Poland, of course, has a clear answer to the charge—the obvious answer that it cannot nationally be made responsible for the irresponsible act of a hot-headed Russian youth of 19. It is to be regretted that the whole tangle of cross-purposes which has been so marked a feature of Eastern European politics during the post-war period is to be revived, because there is great need at the moment for strong moderating influences. In the Balkans there is the threat of trouble in Rumania and on account of the Albanian border; there is as yet no very friendly feeling between Poland and Germany on account of the corridor to the Baltic; and across the Soviet border there is an angered and disappointed Russia. It needs only a wrong touch to embroil these peoples in a very real war, an eventually against which all hopes will be set.

DAY BY DAY.

ANGER IS A SHORT MADNESS.—
Horace.

Two Chinese cases of typhoid were reported yesterday.

The Royal Observatory weather forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow is:—E. winds, moderate; overcast, rain.

The Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day was 0.92 inch. The total since January 1st is now 46.45 inches as against an average of 27.90 inches.

This morning's Harbour Office Reports gave eight arrivals and 11 departures, of which four and four were British, the best return of the day, leaving 65 vessels in harbour, British 25.

It is learned that the collision between the s.s. Tai Lee and the s.s. Wing On at the Wangmung Bar was not serious, although the damage to bow plates of the Wing On has necessitated her docking for repairs.

A Chinese of No. 130, Canton Road, was charged at Kowloon yesterday with selling beer to soldiers of the K.O.S.B., without a license and was remanded till this morning. Capt. Baly, D.A.P.M., appeared to prosecute.

The staff of the Kowloon Magistrate spent an exceptionally long morning yesterday when the Court sat until nearly two o'clock before adjourning for dinner. The daily cases, though of minor offences required considerable time to investigate and with several Sanitary Board summonses, it was not till noon that an assault case which had been fixed for half an hour earlier was called.

The Hongkong Corps of the St. John Ambulance Brigade is arranging a special theatrical performance to be given by the Yan Shau Lin Theatrical Company at the Lee Theatre to-night at 9.15 p.m. The object is to entertain the principal military and naval officers now in the Colony (about 200 seats will be available), a number of the leading European and Chinese residents, and 500 N.C.O.s and men selected (by the officers concerned) from the forces (military and naval) now in the Colony. H. E. the Governor and Lady Clementi will be present. The gathering is expected to be large one.

Four Chinese were brought up at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on remand on charges of participation in an armed robbery committed on a fishing boat in the vicinity of the Nine Pins on April 25. Mr. F. H. Loseby appeared for the defendants. According to the evidence of the prosecution, the defendants were alleged to have intercepted the complainants' boat which had left Shaukiwan for Sam Mun, and after terrifying the crew, stole \$20. The appearance of a Police launch in the distance caused the pirates to abscond but they were pursued and caught. The men were discharged on account of the lack of evidence to connect them with the affair.

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There are many back benchers who might be mentioned but who have yet to win their spurs as leaders. Prominent among these are Dr. Hugh Dalton, the old Etonian member of the Executive, and Mr. Oswald Mosley, who is generally accepted as one of the best debaters in the party.

FIRE FIGHTING.

SMART AND EFFICIENT DISPLAY.

A drill display, showing the efficiency and smartness of the men, the large majority of whom have served less than twelve months in the Brigade, was given in the exercise yard at the Central Fire Brigade yesterday afternoon in the presence of the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe.

The various drills and exercises consisted of those which any fully qualified fireman would be called upon to perform in the execution of his duty, and the smart manner in which the different numbers were carried out, either individually or collectively, was evidence of considerable training on the part of the superior officers.

Units from Wanchai and Kennedy Town also took part in the display and the "turn out" item with the Central Brigade was indeed very expeditiously carried out, taking only 85 seconds to complete.

The picking up of insensible persons, Motor Escape and Pump Drill, rescues from a burning building and the slip and pitch escape were all demonstrated in turn.

The parade was under the supervision of Acting Superintendent G. C. Moss and, at the conclusion of the display, the men were complimented by the Captain Superintendent of Police who said that what he had seen gave great promise for the company drills which would be held towards the end of the year.

LABOUR LEADERSHIP.

ANXIETY OVER MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD'S HEALTH.

There is considerable perturbation among members of the Labour party about the illness of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, (says, *The Daily Express*), and the political situation to which it may possibly give rise.

While the leader of the opposition is not critically ill, private reports to his party friends convey the impression that his condition is not so reassuring as the bulletins which have been issued in Philadelphia would have the general public believe.

Mr. MacDonald has felt severely the strain of the last few years, and although his friends, of course, hope for his complete recovery, the possibility of his retirement from the leadership, at all events for the time being, is being seriously discussed.

His natural successor (adds the *Express*) would be Mr. J. R. Clynes, who is the deputy-chairman of the party, but there is considerable doubt whether the Labour M.P.s would agree to his appointment. He is much too mild, both in policy and manner, for Left Wingers, and the Moderates rather distrust his ability to hold the party together.

If it proves to be just a question of carrying on for a few weeks, then Mr. Clynes will be allowed to do so, but if a new leader had to be elected he would not carry the day.

Three other men are mentioned as "possibles." One is Mr. J. H. Thomas, who would have to face the bitter antagonism of the extremists. Another is Mr. Wheatley, who would have to overcome the equally strenuous opposition of the Right Wing. The third is Mr. Arthur Henderson, who, more than any other one man, has built up the organisation of the party, and who might be able to prevent an open rupture.

It is quite likely that, with a battle in prospect between the Wheatleyites and the Thomasites, Mr. Henderson would go in as the compromise nominee.

The "Possibles."

Popular opinion has drawn up a list of possibles for the post (says the Press Association)—Mr. J. H. Thomas, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Snowden, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Maxton, and the last two named seem to be the most favourably regarded. Mr. Henderson has already been leader of the party, and is apparently popular with all sections. His speech in the Trade Union Bill debate obviously pleased both Left and Right Wings.

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TJILEBOET WRECK.

NO DECISION YET REACHED.

Tenders were recently called for by the J.C.I. Line for the purchase of the fore-part of the s.s. Tjileboet, stranded at Lin Ting, but up to the present no decision has been reached with respect to this and it is thought that no announcement can be made for at least a week.

Several offers have been made by Chinese firms, who are buying for scrap purposes but those have been on the low side and a final closure of the sale cannot be made until the return of the manager of the company, who is at present in Java for the purpose of attending the enquiry into the circumstances of the stranding.

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An American Wild West editorial:

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"Now, we need bread with our shoes on. We need bread with our pants on, and unless we corral a few of the outstanding accounts on our books, we will need bread without darning them on, and this town will be a garden of Eden this season if collections do not improve shortly."

The kids threw nails around the lawn,
And thought it quite a joke.
But nails, you know, are very hard.
That's why the lawn mower's broke.

Rev. A. F. Royston, Vicar of St. Anthony's, Newcastle-on-Tyne, states in his parish magazine that while walking home from church one of the epithets shouted after him was "Hooded terror." This was due, no doubt, to the fact that he was wearing a cassock and cloak.

"What would be thought of a vicar," he asks, "if he were to shout and jeer at a mechanic who goes to and from his work in his boiler suit. Yet the cassock is to the priest what the boiler suit is to the mechanic and the engineer. Apart from the convenience of wearing the cassock at all times, instead of keeping it hanging in the vestry cupboard, the cassock is a very comfortable garment, and covers a multitude of patches. Do not make the lives of the clergy here, already hard enough, more irksome by making them display the patches on their trousers."

Giving evidence in a case at Brighton when a young man was fined 20s. for possessing a revolver without a certificate, a policeman said he had tested the revolver.

Mr. Bishop, for the prosecution

—I believe you fired at a copy of Stone's "Justice's Manual."

(Laughter.)

Witness—Yes, and it penetrated the book to a depth of about half an inch. I fired from a distance of about five yards.

Mr. Barry, defending, submitted the revolver was not a firearm within the meaning of the Act because it was not capable of inflicting mortal injury.

The Bench ruled otherwise, the chairman stating that no doubt the revolver came within the position of a lethal weapon.

It was stated that a popular name for the revolver was the safety pistol and "burglar scarer."

The Lord Mayor of London sticks to it that while there was a Dick Whittington there was no cat; and if the City is wise, it will be content to accept that version. Save for pantomime purposes, the cat has never been an ornament to the legend. For a poor lad to rise to fame and fortune by his own exertions is one thing; for him to rise through the exertions of his cat is quite another, which gives every kind of facility to Socialist propaganda.

Thank God this is not a shabby age.—Lord Riddell.

Possibly the Press has never ranked so high as to-day.—The Archdeacon of Norwich.

Doctors try to frighten us with their long Greek words, but they don't mean anything.—Judge Cluer.

The long week-end habit and the long holiday habit (longer than officially allowed) do not exist in America.—Mr. A. Rymer.

In the present state of public opinion if the doctor does not give the patient a bottle of coloured medicine a patient thinks he is not a good doctor.—Dr. H. J. Cardale.

A little man appeared before the judge to charge his wife with cruelty.

"Where did you meet your wife first?" asked counsel.

"I don't think I ever met her," said the little man, "she just sort of overtook me."

SWATOW TRAGEDY.

SEVEN HUNDRED PEOPLE DROWNED.

On Monday last, 800 Chinese, who were travelling between Lue and Khyang, on board the ferry Tai Hing, were all thrown into the water when the launch turned turtle on nearing Swatow. Of the passengers it is reported that only 100 of their number were rescued.

Although only licensed to carry 350 passengers, the launch Tai Hing had on board 800 persons all told. During the trip a plank fell overboard and through the curiosity of the passengers everybody crowded to one side to view the incident. Under this great weight, the ferry boat heeled over and turned turtle, throwing the passengers into the water.

When a motor-car driven by Mr. P. Bardy, a Farnborough, Hampshire, commission agent, arrived at a Farnborough hotel, after the car had collided with the buttress of a bridge in Rectory-road, Mr. John Russell Little, of Croydon, one of the occupants, was found dead with severe head wounds. Mr. Hargreaves, surveyor to the Farnborough Council, who was also in the car, had serious injuries to his head. Mr. Bardy was uninjured. Mr. Little was on a visit to Farnborough, and it is stated that he was a timber merchant at Croydon.

The tone of the preliminary Note which Russia has sent to Poland indicates the highly-strung mentality of its framers and the fact that they are suffering from the effects of the recent world happenings in which the Soviet has been bested. It accuses Poland of failing to take precautions against the activities of Russian counter-revolutionary organisations and it proceeds to assert that the assassination is bound up with a whole series of acts throughout the world which aims at destroying Soviet diplomatic representation abroad. And there

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

EXTRA THROUGH EXPRESS SERVICE.

MORNING AND AFTERNOON.

The large influx of Cantonese into Hongkong is mainly through the steamer services, and since the restoration of the through express service between Canton and Kowloon, the daily average of passengers is about 200 only, say a vernacular paper.

In order to popularise the railway service, the Canton section, which issued the figures, seeks to add one more express service every day, and proposes that two expresses shall run from each end, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

The restoration of the service, the vernacular paper adds, was made possible only when the British Section agreed to lend locomotives and engineers to the Chinese Section, and the question naturally arises as to whether the British Section will be prepared to lend further engines and locomotives to bring about the proposed additional service.

An enquiry of the British Section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway this morning, the Telegraph was informed that it is probable that the double express service to Canton as proposed, will probably come into operation about June 20th.

The additional express service will be run on exactly the same lines as the present service, the locomotives being changed at Shum-chun.

BATHING STYLES.

A GLIMPSE OF CONTRASTS.

(A scene in the Brown household, Kowloon, on a recent Sunday afternoon.)

"Are you ready, Jack?"

"Ready to be hanged. I can't find my bathing suit and one can hardly go swim—

"What's that you're rushing about with in your hand?"

"That's young Bill's—well I'm jiggered, but it's my own. Are the kids O.K.?"

"Yes, dear, hurry up or we'll miss that ferry and you know what a rush there is for a bus on a Sunday."

(Exeunt. They arrive at Hongkong Hotel entrance).

Jack (looking at crowded bus): "We'll have to do a lifelike imitation of sardines to squeeze into that thing. Let's take a car."

Mary (his wife): "But the expense."

Jack: "Oh, hang the expense. We're out for the day, aren't we?"

Mary (merrily): "Alright, Jack."

(A car is hired to Repulse Bay).

Mary: "You take Bobby and Bill in your tent, Jack, and I'll take Flora and Margaret in mine."

Jack: "Look here, there's hardly room as it is to change your mind in the blooming things without packing a family into them. We'll have two for the kids and one each for ourselves."

(They proceed to beach).

Jack: "Where are the tents?"

Mary: "They used to be here" (indicating the exact position of "here").

Jack: "Looks as if the cock-crunches have eaten 'em."

(Ultimately it is discovered that the tents for some mysterious reason have been taken away. The children on being informed of the fact indulge in community wailing).

Jack (beaten in spirit): "Any way, let's have tea."

Mary: "Where's the hamper?"

Jack (blankly): "Good—! I've left it in the car and it's gone."

Mary (bravely): "Let's take the first bus back home."

(A scene in any Taipan's home on any Sunday afternoon in summer).

"Are you ready, Reginald?"

"Yes, my dear. The car is waiting. The boy has packed the hamper and the chauffeur has the key of the mashed."

(An hour later at Repulse Bay). "Isn't the water lovely to-day, Reg?"

"Topping."

(Contributed.)

POET'S CORNER.

LOVE IS BLIND.

[A reply to "P. T. D.'s" query in yesterday's issue.]
Though love may be blind,
It is true;
It traps Love's eyes can find
That in you
Which from others' sight
Hidden lies,
Hidden lies,
Find it by the light
Of Love's eyes!
Sees within the clay.
Something fine,
Where a diamond may
Dimly shine!

THE PHILIPPINES.

A NEW SLOGAN BY CHINESE.

An indication of what is in store for Americans in the Philippines when China settles down to draft new treaties with the foreign powers, is seen in an article appearing in the New York *Herald Tribune* under date of February 20, written by Mr. Roy Bennett from Manila. Mr. Bennett starts off by saying: "Chinese in the Philippines have adopted a new slogan of 'American capital, Chinese labour and Filipino lands.' They claim that a combination of the three would multiply the wealth of the Islands tenfold."

While General Wood is urging more strict enforcement of the laws against Chinese emigration with the enthusiastic support of all Filipinos except those who profit by their evasion, the Chinese Consul General at Manila, Mr. Lingho Wang, is completing a survey of the islands for his government and has come out for the opening of the doors to the Chinese as the solution to their economic problems.

That the Chinese have the whiphand and can carry through their plans should they determine to adopt the same methods in the Philippines which have carried them to success in China, is apparent from the brief resume of their position as outlined by Mr. Bennett. He says:

The Chinese is the middleman of the Philippines. He buys from the American and English importing houses and sells to the Filipino; and buys raw products from the Filipino and sells to the big exporters. Approximately 90 per cent. of this business is in his hands.

Chinese Encroachment.

Through it he has a strangle hold upon the natives, and now is seriously threatening the position of the large foreign houses. Two years ago riots against the Chinese, riots such as have occurred regularly for the last 200 years, were stopped when the Chinese storekeepers boarded up their small shops and refused to open for business. The Filipinos literally were starved into peace by lack of any place to purchase the necessities of life.

Of late years the Chinese merchants have encroached more and more upon the business of the foreign import-export houses. A 1½ per cent. cumulative sales tax imposed by the government on every transaction has greatly aided this movement, as it fosters direct exportation by the first buyer of produce.

This has been particularly in evidence in the hemp market, where, within the last three months, one Chinese house has crept from a lowly position to second place in the list of hemp exporters.

Business men here are agreed that in the event of independence itself provides an example of the outlawry of war between States," and Mr. Levinson, "where the Supreme Court is given exclusive jurisdiction on questions like boundaries, reparation questions, oil rights, etc. One State can file a petition against any other State, and the matter may be proceeded with whether the defendant State comes forward or not. This is a revolution in procedure. Yet ninety acutely controversial questions have been peacefully settled without the shedding of a drop of blood.

"If disputes between New York on the North, and Pennsylvania on the South can thus be settled, why cannot other questions between New York on the South, and Canada on the North be equally easily dealt with? What is wanted is an international legal code, with temporary arrangements while this is being built up. The first step is a simple treaty between all the civilised nations disavowing war as the instrument of settlement. With war outlawed by such an air-tight and water-tight agreement, all countries would be willing to submit to jurisdiction on almost every

OUTLAWING WAR.

"AN ADVENTURE IN FAITH."

"Dueling was not abolished by abolishing the causes of duelling. All of them still remain. Dueling was made illegal, and law being the expression of public opinion, duelling has gone. In the same way war must be outlawed, made illegal in the international code of law. As Horace-Greely said of specific payment, 'The way to resume is to resume,' the time to outlaw war is now. Disarmament will follow war's outlawry, not precede it."

Briefly stated, this is the theme of the crusade for the outlawing of war upon which Mr. S. O. Levinson, a leading Chicago lawyer, is engaged. During the ten years he has given all his mind to this matter he has drawn under his banner in the U.S.A. men like Senator Knox, Professor John Dewey, and more recently Senator Borah. Mr. Levinson hopes that his private visit to England just now, in which he is occupied in seeing leading publicists, politicians, and Church leaders, will be followed soon by a personal visit here of Senator Borah. "I hope Lord Derby's invitation to Senator Borah will be accepted so that he can come almost at once. If there is delay the Senator, who is America's most misunderstood, but most enlightened statesman, will be too occupied with his official duties to have time to spare to get over here."

The Two Ways.
Mr. Levinson sees the world recently as having to choose between two antithetical ways—law or war. "Hitherto," he said, "we have only been trying to scare war away, and when the nation's blood is up, all our schemes do not weigh a feather. The fatal defect in our civilisation is the legality of war. It is an institution. In our national affairs when we discover that an institution—that is, a practice within the law—has become dangerous to society, we get rid of it. But this cannot be done by force. It can only be done by law. How did we get rid of slavery, and piracy, and duelling, which were nearly as disreputable and illegal? No one would support a Sir Francis Drake now. Human nature has yielded to decency in nearly everything except war."

Mr. Levinson confines himself to international war, for civil and revolutionary war, he points out, is already against the law of the land. Those promoting it are legally felons and traitors. But a Napoleon or a Kaiser, in the international sphere, need give no reason, or a hundred reasons, for starting war. Domestic war is criminal, but war between nations to "settle disputes is still legal."

The Example of America.
"The American Constitution itself provides an example of the outlawry of war between States," and Mr. Levinson, "where the Supreme Court is given exclusive jurisdiction on questions like boundaries, reparation questions, oil rights, etc. One State can file a petition against any other State, and the matter may be proceeded with whether the defendant State comes forward or not. This is a revolution in procedure. Yet ninety acutely controversial questions have been peacefully settled without the shedding of a drop of blood.

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more pacific countrymen. If, under this pressure the Chinese merchants in the Philippines should resort to a boycott of American goods or close the doors of their shops indefinitely as a protest against the American Exclusion Law as applied to the Islands, it would soon awaken Americans and Filipinos to a realization of what they are up against. And, unless we are greatly mistaken, this is exactly what the Chinese Consul General in Manila, acting under instructions from his government, is leading up to. When the Soviet and its Cantonese allies gets through with the British in China, the chances are ten to one that they will turn their attention to the next near-by vulnerable point in the armour of "Western imperialism." Americans who fail to heed the hand-writing on the wall and believe they can escape the impact of the Soviet drive against the "capitalistic system" are fit inmates for the nearest lunatic asylum.—The Far Eastern Review.

DESERT SCENE IN SUBURBIA.

CONSTABLE'S CONVOY OF STRAY ASSES.

A constable turned a corner in White Hart Lane, Wood Green, London, to find himself face to face with a donkey "at large upon the public highway."

Taking the placid animal in tow he commenced to wend his way towards the Wood Green Council's pound when a second ass quietly nibbling grass by the wayside, came under his charge.

With Nellie and Jennie trotting behind him the officer, quite unconscious of his strange appearance, pursued his way. But not for long. Donkey No. 3 lay upon its back in the roadway, kicking its feet in the air in full enjoyment of a roll in the dust.

With a "come-along-o-me" air Robert adjusted his belt and added No. 3 to his convoy, turning a deaf ear to inquiries of small boys as to whether his destination was Ampstead or Margit.

Where The Caravan Rested.

Shock No. 4 would have been too much for an ordinary mortal, but Robert was equal to it.

The sequel was heard the next morning when a Wood Green man was summoned for permitting "a certain mare and three asses to stray upon a certain public highway?"

Defendant was fined the maximum penalty of £1—*Daily Chronicle*.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 12 of this issue.

- 1.—What British possessions are known as (a) "the Spicy Isle," (b) as "the Island State?"
- 2.—Which is the largest church in the world?
- 3.—Why were "Hackney carriages" so called?
- 4.—What is the origin of the term "milliner?"
- 5.—What planet has nine moons?
- 6.—Who was the earliest recorded Sovereign of Wales?
- 7.—Who is the King's Hereditary Grand Almoner?
- 8.—What is the length of the Suez Canal, and when was it first opened?
- 9.—Which is the largest (a) British ship, (b) American ship?
- 10.—Which are the two longest rivers in the world?
- 11.—What is meant by the Neanderthal Man?
- 12.—What is the speed of the Earth in its path round the sun, and does that speed vary?
- 13.—Who suggested a meeting in a roadside inn to terminate the Boer War?
- 14.—What is a fathom?
- 15.—Which is the tallest monument in the world?

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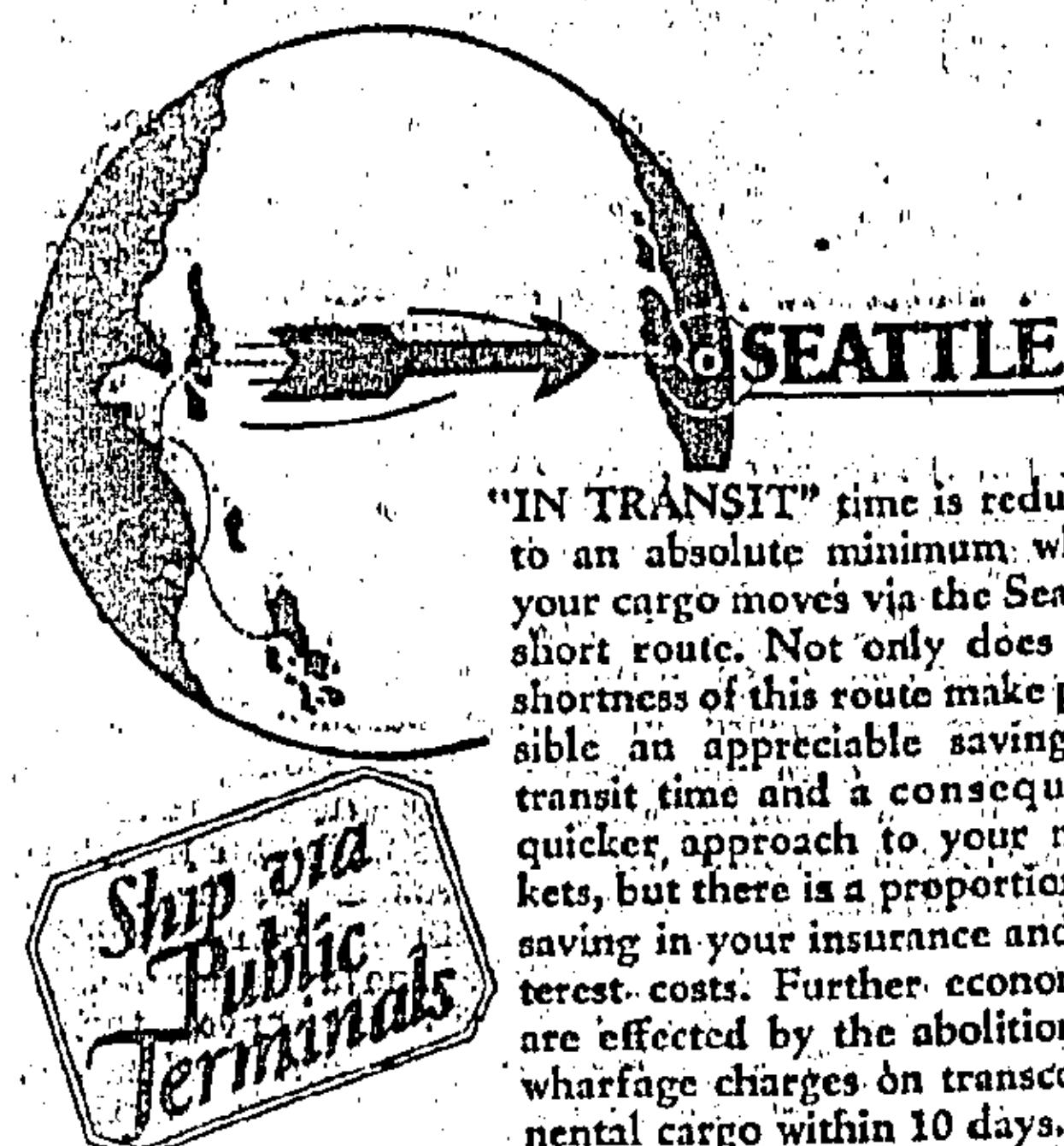
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TRAGEDY OF A TEMPER.

EIGHT SHOT DEAD IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Cape Town, May 7.—The Charlestown shooting tragedy, in which a farmer named Swart shot dead eight people and then committed suicide, has created a tremendous sensation throughout the Union.

Swart was an excellent farmer, but a man of very violent temper, as the result of which he had several times committed acts for which he had suffered periods of imprisonment. Eventually he was warned that he was liable to an indeterminate sentence, and therefore was extremely anxious to avoid arrest.

The first episode in the tragic affair occurred on May 3, when a constable who was sent to arrest Swart, was fired on, but not injured. Attempted murder was therefore added to the charges against Swart.

The same day Swart motored to Charlestown from his farm, and visited the house of another farmer, named Lourens, whom he had, but missed.

The following day a posse of ten picked policemen assembled at Newcastle, under the command of Captain Ashman, the district superintendent, and proceeded by motor car in the early hours of the morning to Swart's farm, which they approached under cover of the morning mist.

Swart, who had meanwhile armed some natives and fortified himself in a stone kraal, greeted the police with a fusillade of shots, and a miniature battle ensued. Not since the Boer War have the famous hills, including the Majuba Hill, echoed and re-echoed with such a volume of firing.

Five policemen were killed, including Captain Ashman himself and the Head Constable of Newcastle. Swart, taking advantage of the darkness and the mist, succeeded in eluding the remaining policemen, and escaped on horseback fully armed, to Charlestown.

On his way there he encountered his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Knight, and Mr. Kotze, Mr. Louren's farm manager, both of whom he shot dead, and further along the road the desperado fired on a number of railway gingers, who, however, were not injured.

On arriving at Charlestown, Swart rode to the house of Mr. Van Ruen, where he found his wife, from whom he was separated. He immediately blew out her brains, and then went on to try and find Mr. Lourens, whom he had already attempted to shoot the previous day.

Commits Suicide.

By this time the police and members of the Rifle Association, who had hastily assembled, were

hot on his track, and the last act of the drama was staged when Swart, finding himself surrounded by armed men, dropped from his horse, and shot himself with a revolver taken from Captain Ashman after his death.

BUNKUM ABOUT CHINA.

"EYEWASH AND STALE DOPE."

Colonel Etherton, at one time Consul-General in Chinese Turkestan and Assistant Judge of H. M. Supreme Court for China, has just written a book on China which comes pat to the occasion (writes "Truthful Tory" in *Truth*). It contains a concise and authentic statement of the facts as well as an interesting study of Chinese mentality. Everybody should read it and grasp a few simple truths, of which I cull one or two in condensed form.

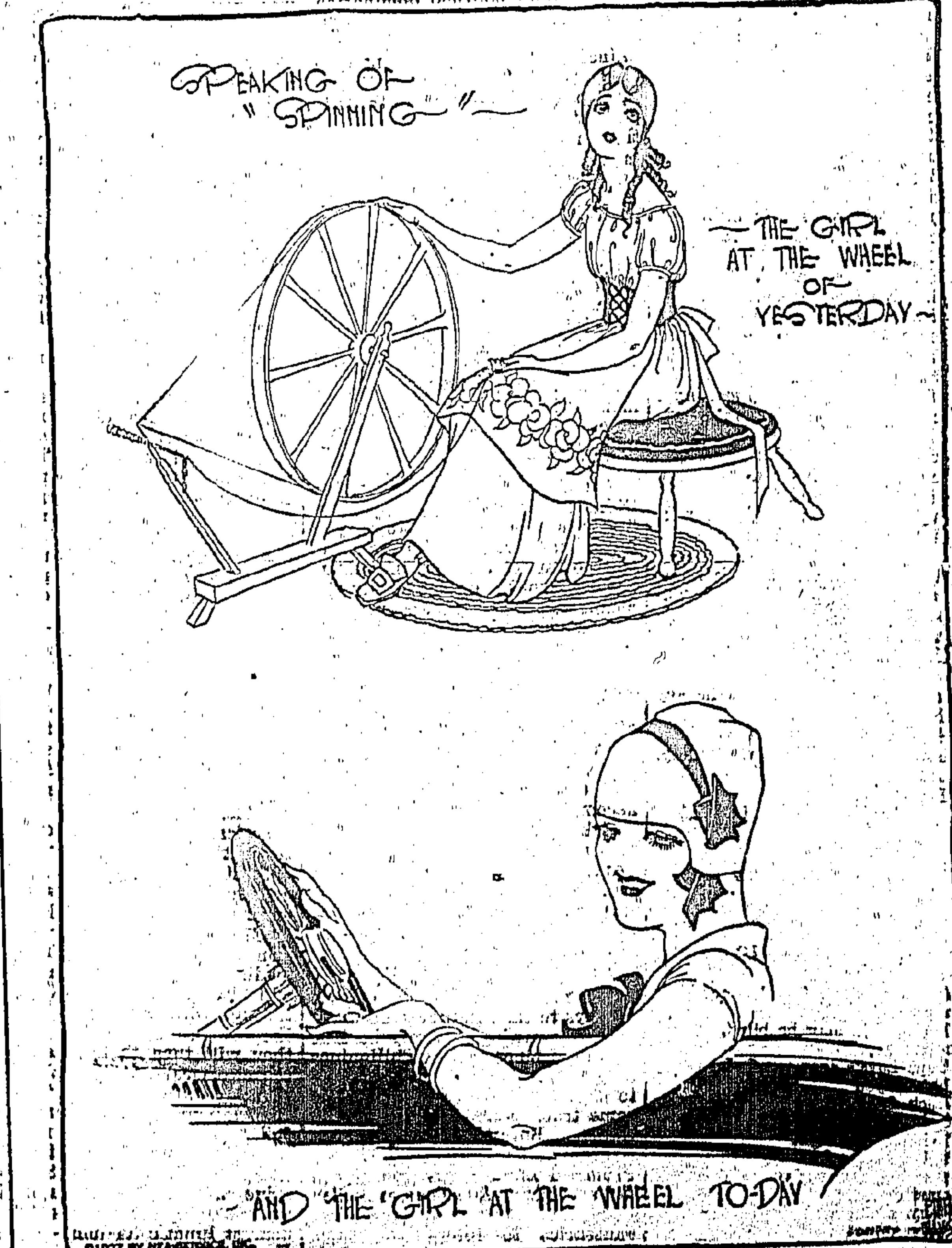
Only three Chinamen in a hundred can read. The 97 per cent of illiterates are peace-loving and absorbed in their families, worshipping their ancestors by offerings, and caring nothing for wars and politics. Confucius is to the ordinary Chinaman far more than the Bible is to the average Briton, and Confucius bade all men concern themselves with their own affairs and leave politics alone as a dangerous business. There is no such thing as public opinion, or public spirit, in China, though the coolies feel towards the foreign Settlements much as Britons would feel about Chinatowns outside Newcastle or Southampton, or at Surbiton or Leith.

In thinking about the Chinese question, we must get rid of our notions about generals and armies. The generals are brigands, and the soldiers move from one army to another without even a change of uniform. The defeat of one tuchun by a rival jeopardises their pay, and so they pass on to another army and espouse its cause so long as their pay and existence are guaranteed.

The prattle about Chinese nationalism (this is "T. T." and no longer Colonel Etherton speaking) is necessarily bunkum, eyewash, stale dope ladled out by the Third International, and swallowed by no one but credulous, cant-ridden British politicians.

The Earl of Balfour, speaking at a luncheon in connexion with the Institute of Industrial Psychology, said they wanted to explode the superstition that all hours of work were a minus quantity in the happiness of life, and all hours of idleness were a plus quantity. "It is a most ludicrous and most pernicious doctrine," he added. "I do not want to deceive you at all," said Lord Balfour. "I am myself a lover of idleness, but if you were to separate 100 adults into two halves and say to one half, 'You will work eight hours a day,' and to the other half, 'You will do nothing,' the latter would certainly commit suicide before the experiment had gone on very

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TRUE CRICKET.

[By H. J. HENLEY.]

Out from the pavilion of a famous club came the young batsmen, product of public school and variety. His gaily coloured cap proclaimed him a member of the most exclusive cricket club in the world; under his arms he carried three bats, brand new, perfect in grain and balance.

Down to the practice nets followed him two professional bowlers bearing famous names, grizzled veterans now, though still with a length that many younger men might envy.

But in spite of twenty-two yards of close-cropped, well-rolled turf, bats that were models of the makers' craft, and accurate bowling, the young player was not happy.

He did not meet every ball as he desired. He grew peevish. First he found fault with his bats. Next he found fault with the bowlers. "For heaven's sake pit 'em up," he cried. "Your short stuff simply ruins a man's style."

After ten minutes he retired in disgust. "Rotten wicket," he growled. "More like a mountain pass. I shall certainly complain to the secretary."

The light of a dull spring day was already beginning to fade, when the captain of the obscure Saturday afternoon club reached the London park for a little evening practice. He wore his working clothes, and a pair of soiled white canvas shoes alone about his costume suggested cricket. His bat was as hard as British oak, and he possessed but a single pad. Other members of his club came armed with stamps and a flabby ball.

Innumerable scratch games of football, tipcat, and hop-scotch played in the winter months across the piece of work ground which they selected as a pitch had left it a land of miniature hills and valleys. That young batsman with the cap of the most exclusive cricket club in the world would have fainting at the sight of it. The bowling sometimes rose to amazing heights, sometimes failed to rise at all, sometimes broke prodigiously. The captain, who often shut his eyes before he made a stroke, and who kept his bat at an angle of 45 degrees, was hit himself more often than he hit the ball. But he put as much grit into his cricket as the bravest of players could put into a Test match.

They played until darkness was upon them, cheerfully risking injury from the flying ball in the deepening gloom. And as the captain put on his shabby coat he said, "Not half a bad wicket. I hope we're able to get the same one to-morrow. And if you blokes play as well on Saturday as you did to-night we'll win easy."

After all, it is the spirit in which the game is played that makes true cricket, not perfectly balanced bats, or the membership of famous clubs, or an average of 50 for a first class county.

WORLD'S TITLE BOUT.

MR. EUGENE CORRI TO REFEREE.

London, June 8. Mr. C. B. Cochran and Mr. Kearns, the American promoter, have come to an agreement and have decided that Mr. Eugene Corri will referee the world's championship contest between Mickey Walker and Tommy Milligan. —*Reuter*.

[Mr. C. B. Cochran had asked Georges Carpenter to referee the bout, but Milligan offered objec-

N. ZEALAND CRICKETERS.

NOW IN ENGLAND

"TO LEARN."

Mr. T. G. Lowry, the Captain of the New Zealand cricket team now in England, said on his arrival in London, that the team had come to "learn." He looked forward to a series of pleasant games in which he felt sure that the New Zealand team, if they struck their form, would play cricket attractive to the public.

Mr. R. C. Blunt, who scored three consecutive centuries against Warwick Armstrong's Melbourne eleven and who is regarded as the best batsman in the team as well as a good slow bowler, is suffering from a strained ligament in the right hand. He told a *Daily Mail* representative that it did not interfere with his batting but was awkward when bowling leg-breaks. He added:

"We are all looking forward to visiting Lord's on Monday, as cricketers all over the world regard it with reverence. We also want to see Hobbs in action at the Oval—and will probably spend a good deal of time chasing the ball when he is batting."

The team will be out to play its natural game and to take chances rather than play for safety. Most of our batsmen are of the aggressive rather than the defensive type."

"We realise that we have much to learn about the finer points of the game."

Mr. W. E. Merritt, who is only 18, and was selected after a special demonstration before the selectors, described the ordeal. He said:

"I had to bowl for three-quarters of an hour on a practice wicket before the three selectors.

I was so nervous at first that I couldn't bowl at all for five minutes. Eventually I decided that I must pull myself together, so I did my best to forget the selectors. My selection came quite as a shock to me."

The team is a very youthful one and of the 14 players only five were of military age during the war. All five—Lowry, Allcott, McGirr, Bernau, and Henderson—joined the Forces.

CAMERONIANS AT PLAY.

SWIMMING RACES AT ROPE WORKS CAMBER.

A large party of the 1st Batt. of the Cameronians, which is in barracks at the Rope Works, Kowloon, spent an enjoyable time at Deep Water Bay on Monday, which place they visited for a bathing picnic.

Yesterday the battalion held aquatic sports in the camber adjoining the Rope Works. Some excellent sport was witnessed, the results being:

100 yards (Breast Stroke):—1, Rifleman Dixon; 2, L. Col. Howarth; 3, Rifleman Bramwell.

100 yards (Any Stroke):—1, Rifleman Ferguson; 2, Corp. Robertson; 3, Corp. Cordell.

Diving Competition:—1, L. Sgt. Pepple; 2, Sgt. Ritchie; 3, Rifleman Holmes.

Inter-Company Relay Race:—1, M. G. Platoon; 2, "C" Coy.

Last Draft Race:—1, Rifleman Harbour; 2, Rifleman Malcolm; 3, Rifleman Lockley.

Punt Race:—1, No. 1 Group; 2, No. 3 Group.

Greasy Pole: Won by Rifleman Fyvie.

Cook's Race: Won by Rifleman Dunlop.

tions. The fight is to be fought at Olympia on June 30th, and is for the Middleweight Championship of the world.

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Yorkshire	9	6	2	1	0	72	53	0	73.61	
Notts.	7	4	1	1	5	56	40	0	71.49	
Middlesex	6	3	1	2	0	48	34	0	70.83	
Surrey	8	4	2	2	0	64	42	0	66.62	
Derbyshire	6	2	1	2	1	48	29	0	60.41	
Kent	7	4	3	0	50	56	32	0	57.14	
Essex	8	2	2	2	2	64	32	0	50.00	
Warwick	8	2	2	1	3	64	30	0	46.87	
Northants	6	2	3	0	1	48	19	0	39.68	
Hampshire	8	1	3	2	2	64	24	0	37.50	
Sussex	6	2	4	0	0	48	16	0	33.33	
Somerset	5	0	3	1	2	48	11	0	22.01	
Glamorgan	8	0	5	1	2	64	11	0	17.18	
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UNSALE NEWSPAPERS.

CHINA A LARGE MARKET.

We once heard the story of how an English-language newspaper published in the Far East increased its circulation several thousand copies through the simple process of printing the extra copies over and above its legitimate sales and disposing of them to a commission merchant who shipped them to Java or Manila to be used there as wrapping paper, the value of which at that time being about equal to the cost of news print. The newspaper publisher could certify to his circulation by proofs of the amount of paper used daily and in this manner supported his statement that his newspaper had the largest circulation in the Orient.

It was evidently too good a thing to last long and other commission merchants soon entered into the competition for supplying the demand. In the exports from the port of Los Angeles for the year 1926, there appears an item of 27,229 tons of paper valued at \$688,537, which the Chamber of Commerce expert says represents almost in its entirety unsold newspapers shipped to Asiatic ports for use as wrapping paper.

"We are all looking forward to visiting Lord's on Monday, as cricketers all over the world regard it with reverence. We also want to see Hobbs in action at the Oval—and will probably spend a good deal of time chasing the ball when he is batting."

The team will be out to play its natural game and to take chances rather than play for safety. Most of our batsmen are of the aggressive rather than the defensive type."

"We realise that we have much to learn about the finer points of the game."

Mr. W. E. Merritt, who is only 18, and was selected after a special demonstration before the selectors, described the ordeal. He said:

"I had to bowl for three-quarters of an hour on a practice wicket before the three selectors.

I was so nervous at first that I couldn't bowl at all for five minutes. Eventually I decided that I must pull myself together, so I did my best to forget the selectors. My selection came quite as a shock to me."

The team is a very youthful one and of the 14 players only five were of military age during the war. All five—Lowry, Allcott, McGirr, Bernau, and Henderson—joined the Forces.

Most in demand are clean newspapers, with no coloured supplement and relatively few pictures. Least in demand are the tabloid newspapers.—*Far Eastern Review*.

YOUNG CHINA.

AN AMERICAN VIEW.

An American who has spent most of his life in China, Dr. Edward H. Hume, president of Yale-in-China, does not see everything that is happening in that country through a dark glass. He writes in the April issue of *Foreign Affairs* (New York) as follows:

"To those who have felt the violence of the extremists and watched the withdrawal of the moderates, the term Young China means hot-headedness and irresponsibility. It recalls to their minds noisy groups of youngsters, herded into line for a patriotic procession, ordered to shout slogans, compelled to carry banners with truly strange devices, keen to overthrow all order and discipline in school as well as government, for patriotic reasons." Such radicalism, however, is only part of the picture. It is generally admitted that not over twenty per cent of the student world supports the extremist programme. It would be unfair to limit the term Young China to the violent radicals as to designate only the vociferous and the immature who are speaking of Young America or Young France. The true Young China is the group that is moved by the vitality of spring, crowding out the old stagnancy. It includes the thoughtless, to be sure; but it also includes even larger numbers of those thoughtful souls who understand something of what it means to build up a vigorous, self-dependent nation."

Yesterday the battalion held aquatic sports in the camber adjoining the Rope Works.

Some excellent sport was witnessed, the results being:

100 yards (Breast Stroke):—1, Rifleman Dixon; 2, L. Col. Howarth; 3, Rifleman Bramwell.

100 yards (Any Stroke):—1, Rifleman Ferguson; 2, Corp. Robertson; 3, Corp. Cordell.

Diving Competition:—1, L. Sgt. Pepple; 2, Sgt. Ritchie; 3, Rifleman Holmes.

Inter-Company Relay Race:—1, M. G. Platoon; 2, "C" Coy.

Last Draft Race:—1, Rifleman Harbour; 2, Rifleman Malcolm; 3, Rifleman Lockley.

Punt Race:—1, No. 1 Group; 2, No. 3 Group.

Greasy Pole: Won by Rifleman Fyvie.

Cook's Race: Won by Rifleman Dunlop.

tions. The fight is to be fought at Olympia on June 30th, and is for the Middleweight Championship of the world.

[Mr. C. B. Cochran had asked Georges Carpenter to referee the bout, but Milligan offered objec-

TEAMS FOR SATURDAY'S GAMES.

The following will represent the K.C.C. on Saturday, at 4.30 p.m.

"A" Team v. University on K.C.C. ground: E. C. Fincher (Capt.) and E. F. Fincher, W. Hyde and C. E. Millard, C. W. E. Bishop and L. A. J. Kew.

"B" Team v. Nippont Club at King's Park: C. H. Atkins (Capt.) and D. J. Purves, P. M. Pinguet and G. S. Ford, A. Hanson and W. Woodward.

"C" Team v. Craigengowrie, G.C. C.C. ground: C. H. Ledden (Capt.) and K. A. Cartersen, R. F. Strang and J. S. Smith. Gao, Lee and A. J. Kew.

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June 29	Seattle	Leviathan	Aug. 1 P.M.-Cbrig	Aug. 7
July 5	San Francisco	Majestic	Aug. 6 Cbrig-S'hpmtn	Aug. 12
July 13	Seattle	Leviatoria	Aug. 10 Cbrig-S'hpmtn	Aug. 16
July 18	San Francisco	Leviathan	Aug. 20 P.M.-Cbrig	Aug. 25
July 27	Seattle	Aquitania	Aug. 20 O'brg-S'hpmtn	Aug. 30
Aug. 2	San Francisco	Majestic	Sept. 3 Cbrig-S'hpmtn	Sept. 9
Aug. 10	Seattle	Mauretania	Sept. 12 P.M.-Cbrig	Sept. 12
Aug. 16	San Francisco	Olympic	Sept. 17 O'brg-S'hpmtn	Sept. 23
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AT NANKING.**

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These particular troops are part of the 4th Kwangsi Brigade, which is under the direct command of General Wang Shao-hung and which is regarded as one of the best of the Kwangsi units.

For the past few days they have been in camp at Wongsha, but orders have been issued that the force will entrain by the Yuohuan trains for Shiuksan very shortly, their ultimate destination being southern Kiangsi, where they will join General Chien Ta-chun's army.

Over 12,000 Kwangsi troops have now joined the anti-Red expedition, including the 5th, 6th and 7th Brigades, which are already at the front.

The Red faction is still showing activity in the Shiuksan district, and General Chien has doubled the garrison of the city, and the 2nd Gendarmerie Corps, the 31st Independent Battalion, together with two Kwangsi units have been ordered to Shiuksan from Yingtan and Kotong.—*Nan Chung Pao.*

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Shanghai, June 1. With the beginning of a new month there is a distinctly better feeling abroad in the markets. The ineffectual silly May 30 anniversary has come and gone with the usual foolishness, but criminal foolishness has been absent mainly because it would have been speedily punished.

Beyond the general expectation that coming months will show an improvement, there is little to report.

HANKOW GOVERNMENT.

Will Move to Nanchang.

According to telegraphic advices received in Shanghai from Hankow recently, Messrs. Hsu Chien and Teng Yen-ta have decided to remove the Wuhan nationalist government to Nanchang. This step is necessitated by the action of General Hsia Tou-yin and General Liu Tsu-lung in declaring against the communists and sending troops to Wu-chang and Hankow.

The government has issued a proclamation dismissing General Hsia and General Liu for their alleged treason to the revolutionary cause and offering a reward of \$200,000 each for the capture of the two anti-communist leaders.

Another report says that Messrs. Hsu and Teng have left for Nanchang with large sums of silver. It now appears that M. Erodin's trip to Nanchang is made for the purpose of looking for a suitable site for the Wuhan government and that reports of his going down river to Nanking to beg for a reconciliation with General Chiang Kai-shek are without foundation.

PEAK TRAMWAYS.

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In view of the increase in expenses it was considered necessary to raise the price of monthly tickets and decrease the discount on coupons. These new rates came into force on May 1st last. It is estimated they will increase the traffic receipts by \$20,000 to \$25,000 dollars annually.

I have no further remarks to make. Gentlemen and I now formally propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be passed. After this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer, to the best of my ability, questions shareholders may have to ask.

Mr. F. W. Stapleton seconded and the report and accounts were adopted.

Other Business.

The Chairman proposed the re-election of Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. A. S. Gubbay, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. J. J. Paterson as directors. Mr. W. Morley seconded and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Mr. J. D. Humphreys proposed the re-election of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis as auditors at a remuneration of \$250. Mr. S. F. Chubb seconded and the resolution was carried.

Secret preparations, writes a Home Air Correspondent, are being made for a seaplane flight from England to Canada and back. The large craft, refuelling at the Azores, will be scheduled to reach Montreal within 48 hours of leaving England, and on the return trip a non-stop Atlantic flight will be attempted. In addition to a couple of British pilots and a navigator, it is proposed to carry the first fare-paying Transatlantic aerial passenger. It was understood that \$5,000 has already been offered for the privilege of occupying the passenger's seat.

IMPROVED FAMILIES.**NEED FOR BIRTH CONTROL.**

A lively debate on birth control was one of the features of the closing session of the annual Council meetings of the Women's National Liberal Federation at Blackpool. Mr. Corbett-Ashby presided.

The question was raised on a motion in the name of Mrs. Spring Rice (Walthamstow), declaring that a national policy on such matters as emigration and birth control was urgently required, and stating that "while emigration can only be a temporary cure for over-population, and by its process of selection may be a danger to the country, scientific birth control provides a means of increasing the efficiency of the nation."

When Mrs. Spring Rice rose, a delegate inquired if she could move the previous question, but the Chairman said she could not.

RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD.

Mrs. Spring Rice, moving the resolution, suggested the time had come when Liberalism should bring into its political thought two very grave questions which had a profound effect on the population of the country. It was not for the good of the Empire that we should send our best young men and women to the Dominions. (Hear, hear.) As to birth control, she wanted it to be associated, not with the limitation of families so much as with the improvement of families. (Cheers.)

Lady Acland seconded. The resolution, she said, was a call from the womanhood of the nation to the nation to formulate a policy about their ever-present question of population. "We are bringing down the death-rate, and are asking at the same time for a more responsible parenthood," she said.

"There are people who are shocked that mothers should be able to choose how many children should be brought into this world. We can leave that to the generation which looks upon population as cannon fodder. There is no doubt," she continued, "that the great majority of married women do in some form or other practise birth control, but owing to lack of knowledge it is not the most rational form."

Mrs. Richardson moved the previous question, and Mrs. W. T. Layton seconded.

DEEP-ROOTED DIFFERENCES.

Mrs. Walter Runciman moved as an amendment that "Inasmuch as there is no general consensus of scientific opinion on the subject of birth control, and the question has given rise to deep-rooted differences of opinion on social, moral, and religious grounds, it is undesirable to include a pronouncement on the subject in the policy of this Council."

The amendment, said Mrs. Runciman, took the line that the question of birth control was a question for the individual. "The discussion on so controversial a question, which is primarily a religious question, is most undesirable in a gathering of this kind," she added.

"A healthy child is a better investment than a motor car," said Mrs. Wynne (Tiverton), amid cheers, seconding. "There is no better education, no better bringing up, than to be a member of a large family." (Cheers.)

Basis of Social Reform.

Other speakers who supported birth control included Miss Ida Samuel (London), a new member of the Executive, who claimed, amid laughter, that she was under 30. She said people lived to be much older nowadays. "That is of great importance to people of my age," she said. "We feel almost that people are living too long. (Laughter.) As they cannot be put to death—(laughter)—we can at least save people from being born in greater numbers than they ought to be; otherwise, we shall all have to starve in the streets." Birth control, she declared, was the basis of social reform.

The amendment was overwhelmingly defeated, and the resolution adopted.

Without discussion, the Conference then adopted a resolution declaring that information should be available to those who asked for it at the centres controlled by the Ministry of Health, where the doctors were in possession of the medical history of the mothers, and knew to whom such information should be given, "by this means enabling the poorest members of the community to obtain information to which the wealthier classes already have access."

This resolution was moved by Lady Howarth, and seconded by Mrs. Noton Barclay.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are answers to to-day's questions.

- (1) Ceylon. (2) Tasmania. (3) St Peter's Island. (4) The island of horse in which they were drawn. (5) The city of Milan, formerly a famous centre for silk and velvet.
- (6) Jupiter. (7) Rodrik the Great. (8) The Marconi. (9) The Great Wall. (10) The Leviathan. (11) Amazon. (12) 15½ miles per second. (13) 50,000 lbs. (14) Six feet. (15) The Washington Monument.

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